## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3575 ANSWERED ON:24.08.2011 INCORRECT MAP OF INDIA Bajirao Shri Patil Padamsinha

## Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether an incorrect map of India being posted on a Government website in Australia has come to the notice of the Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Indians residing there have registered their protest in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Australian Government has accepted this mistake and has also given its consent to remove it from the website; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof;

## **Answer**

## MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SMT. PRENEET KAUR)

- (a) & b) Yes. Incorrect map of India showing States of Jammu & Kashmir and Arunachal Pradesh outside India was put up on the website of the Australian Department of Immigration & Citizenship (DIAC).
- (c) & (d) Yes. The Council of Indian Australians (CIA) had registered a protest in this regard.
- (e) & (f) Yes. The Australian government immediately removed the incorrect map of India posted on its website.