GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:424 ANSWERED ON:23.11.2011 CHINESE MISSILES ON INDIAN BORDER Singh Smt. Meena

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that China has deployed missiles along Indian border;

(b) if so, whether India has taken up the issue with the Chinese Government;

(c) if so, the details thereof including the reaction of the Chinese Government thereto; and

(d) the measures taken by the Government to safeguard Indian interests?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) Government pays close attention to China's military modernization program as well as its military infrastructure projects in the border regions opposite India in the Tibet and Xinjiang Autonomous Regions. Since 1993, the two Governments have maintained peace and tranquility along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in the India-China border areas. The two sides have reiterated their commitment to this goal on many occasions. Government is giving careful and special attention to the development of the border areas opposite China, in order to meet our strategic and security requirements and also to facilitate the economic development of these areas. Government keeps a constant watch on all developments having a bearing on India's security and takes all necessary measures to safeguard it.