

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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WRONG INDIAN MAP BY PENTAGON
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether America's defence establishment Pentagon in one of its reports has shown Arunachal Pradesh as a disputed area between India and China and shown Pakistan occupied Kashmir as part of Pakistan;
- (b) if so, whether the Government of India has taken up the issue with the American Government and asked them to take corrective steps; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the USA thereto?

Answer

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

(a) The Annual Report by the United States Department of Defence on "Military and Security Developments Involving the People's Republic of China", submitted to the U.S. Congress in August 2011, carried a map of People's Republic of China, which showed parts of India as disputed territory between India and China. However, the map does not show Arunachal Pradesh as a disputed region. Further, the report depicts Pakistan Occupied Kashmir (PoK) as part of Pakistan.

(b) & (c) The Government of India has consistently rejected incorrect depiction of India's borders on maps used by the U.S. Government and has asked that these maps be corrected.