

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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INDO-CHINA-PAK RELATIONS
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that China is all set to develop a town along Pak border to tackle terror;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (c) its likely impact on Indo-China and Indo-Pak relations?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Government has seen media reports in this regard. Government is aware that China is undertaking development of its border regions in the Tibet and Xinjiang Autonomous Regions. Government is giving careful and special attention to the development of border areas opposite China, in order to meet our strategic and security requirements and also to facilitate the economic development of these areas. Government accords highest priority to India's relations with neighbouring countries and remains vigilant to all developments having a bearing on India's national interest and takes all necessary measures to safeguard it.