

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1003

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KASHMIR IN CHINESE HANDOUTS

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether visitors to Tibet especially journalists invited by the Chinese Government are given handouts where Kashmir is indicated as a country separate from India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken the issue including depiction of our borders wrongly on the Internet with Chinese Government;and
- (d) if so, the outcome thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (DR. SHASHI THAROOR)

(a) to (d) Government has seen media reports to such effect. Government has taken up this matter with the Chinese side and conveyed Government's clear and consistent position that Jammu and Kashmir is an integral part of India.