

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:373  
ANSWERED ON:19.12.2012  
TENSION ON INDO-NEPAL BORDER  
Kumar Shri Shailendra

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

- (a) whether any tension has been reported on the Indo-Nepal border recently and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether there were instances of anti-India groups stopping entry of trucks, traders and tourists from India into Nepal and if so, the details thereof including the perceived role of China in triggering such incidents; and
- (c) the measures taken by the Government to address the issue?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHID)

(a)to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (C) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 373 REGARDING 'TENSION ON INDO-NEPAL BORDER' FOR ANSWER ON 19.12.2012

(a)to (c) India and Nepal enjoy a special and unique relationship rooted in shared heritage, civilization, culture and extensive people-to-people contacts. India-Nepal border is an open border allowing free movement for citizens of both the countries. There were instances of Communist Party of Nepal (Maoist) cadres stopping Indian number plated trucks and other vehicles in some districts of Nepal in September-October 2012. The Embassy of India in Kathmandu took up this matter with the Government of Nepal leading to normalisation of the situation.