GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:617 ANSWERED ON:27.02.2013 DEVELOPMENT OF GWADAR PORT BY CHINA

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Pakistan's strategically important Gwadar port is being developed by China;
- (b) if so, whether the Western border area of India is likely to become more vulnerable as a result thereof; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED)

(a) to (c) Recently, management of operations of Gwadar Port have been taken over by a Chinese company. Government keeps a constant watch on all developments having a bearing on India's security and takes all necessary measures to safeguard it.