

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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RAISING OF KASHMIR ISSUE IN UNO
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any Libyan leader has recently raised the issue of Kashmir in the United Nations Organisation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the reaction of the government on raising the Kashmir issue at International fora?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI S. M. KRISHNA)

(a) & (b) In his speech at the 64th Session of the United Nations General Assembly on September 23, 2009, the Libyan leader Col Muammar Gaddafi made the following reference to Kashmir:

"In brief, Kashmir, Kashmir should be an independent state, not India, not Pakistan. We should end, we should end this conflict. It should be a buffer State between India and Pakistan."

(c) Government rejects such attempts, as Jammu and Kashmir is an integral part of India.