

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5748
ANSWERED ON:28.04.2015
STATUS OF REPORT OF INTERLOCUTORS
Scindia Shri Jyotiraditya Madhavrao

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has sent a reminder to the Jammu and Kashmir Government to clear its stand on the report by the three member Interlocutors Group which has given several recommendations;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Jammu and Kashmir Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Union Government proposes to take any further action if the State Government do not respond to its request; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (d): Based on the recommendations of all party delegation to Jammu and Kashmir and keeping in view the objective to maintain peace and order and defuse the situation through confidence building measures, the Government appointed a Group of Interlocutors on 13th October, 2010 to hold a sustained dialogue with all sections of the people in Jammu and Kashmir.

The Group of Interlocutors submitted their Report on 12th October, 2011. The same was uploaded on the website of this Ministry on 24th May, 2012 for the benefit of the public at large. The copies of the Report have also been placed in the Parliament Library for the benefit of the Hon'ble Members of Parliament.

A copy of the Report has also been forwarded to the Government of J&K for comments. No comments, however, have so far been received from the State Government on the report. A reminder has been sent recently to the State Government of Jammu and Kashmir vide letter dated 3rd March 2015 to expedite its comments on the report of Interlocutors.

The views expressed in the Report are the views of the Interlocutors. The Government has not yet taken any decision on the Report. Government will welcome an informed debate on the contents of the Report.