

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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RAJYA SABHA
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Use of militants as proxies by Pakistan

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- (a) whether Government's attention is drawn to recently released Pentagon report blaming Pakistan for use of militants as proxies to counter India's super military, if so, the reaction of the Government;
- (b) whether any protest of concern expressed to Pakistan over the issues;
- (c) whether Government proposes to take up this issue in bilateral level talk; and
- (d) the measures taken to tackle such activities?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
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(a) to (d) There is growing recognition and public acknowledgement by the international community that Pakistan uses terrorism as an instrument of state policy and of the necessity for Pakistan to put an end to this practice immediately. Terrorism emanating from territory under Pakistan's control is a core concern for India; Government has repeatedly conveyed to Pakistan that it must honour its commitment of not allowing its territory and areas under its control to be used for terrorism against India.

Government has also conveyed to Pakistan, including at the highest level that a meaningful dialogue, to resolve outstanding issues and to build peaceful cooperative ties, necessarily requires an environment free from violence and terror.

Government continues to take all necessary steps to safeguard India's territorial integrity and the safety and security of our citizens.
