

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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WRONGFUL DEPICTION OF INDIAN AREAS

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

(a) Whether several areas of Uttar Pradesh have been included in a map of `Greater Nepal` as reported in The Times of India dated October 25, 2005;

(b) if so, the details of the claim put forth for the same;

(c) whether Nepal has allegedly encroached upon Indian areas and deployed their armed forces there;

[d] if so, the details in this regard;

(e) the reaction of the Union Government thereto; and

(f) the steps taken/ proposed to be taken in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) - (b) The Government is aware that maps of so called `Greater Nepal` , depicting certain areas of Uttar Pradesh and other bordering states have been published. These maps include areas from Teesta river in the east to Ravi river in the west, and include even some areas from Southern Bhutan. The matter has been taken up appropriately with His Majesty's Government of Nepal. However, these maps have been published by non-official, non-governmental organisations.

(c)-(d) There are differences of perception on the alignment of boundary between Government of India and His Majesty's Government of Nepal in some regions. Government has reports that the police post in the disputed Susta village ( West Champaran sector of the border), under adverse physical possession of Nepal, has been strengthened recently.

(e)-(f) India and Nepal have established a Joint Technical Committee , with the objective of interalia resolving the differences of perception on the alignment of boundary in various segments. The two countries agreed in 1976 that the status quo shall be maintained till the resolution of differences of perception in these areas. Government has reiterated from time to time to His Majesty's Government of Nepal the need for an early resolution of the differences of perception and the need for maintaining status quo in these regions pending resolution of differences of perception. Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) has been deployed along the Indo-Nepal border and it has instructions to ensure that there are no encroachments on the Indian territory.