

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1243
ANSWERED ON:30.11.2005
WRONGFUL DEPICTION OF POK BY GOOGLE
Paraste Shri Dalpat Singh

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Google has shown PoK as part of Pakistan in its maps as reported in the Times of India dated October 22, 2005;
- (b) if so, whether the Government of India has sent any official protest to Google in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

a) Yes Sir;

b) Yes Sir;

c) A letter has been sent to the Chairman of the Executive Committee and CEO of Google Inc. drawing attention to the wrong depiction of India's boundaries. The Indian Embassy in Washington has also been instructed to take up the matter with Google Inc.;

d) Not applicable.