

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1069
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ISSUANCE OF PASSPORTS BY PAKISTAN
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether Pakistan has allegedly issued passports to the terrorists to visit India;
- (b) If so, the details thereof;
- (c) Whether the Union Government has apprised Pakistan of this matter; and
- (d) If so, the reaction of Pakistan thereto?

Answer

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

(a) & (d) There have been some instances of persons suspected of terrorism being found to be carrying Pakistani passports. Government has, in its interaction with Pakistan at all levels, continuously stressed the fact that Pakistan needs to take effective action to dismantle the infrastructure of support to terrorism on a permanent basis. Government has made it clear to Pakistan that the premise on which the present dialogue process is based is the commitment of January 6, 2004 by Pakistan not to permit any territory under Pakistan's control to be used to support terrorism in any manner. Pakistan has always denied the presence of terrorist training camps in Pakistan and in the territory under its control.