

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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MANDATORY IDENTITY CARDS FOR INDIANS  
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**Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Nepal has made identity cards mandatory for every Indian traveller visiting Nepal;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the likely impact thereof on the relations between India and Nepal?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) No. However, it is obligatory for all persons entering Nepal and India from either country by air to carry some identification papers to establish their identity as Nepalese and Indian citizens.

(b)&(c) Do not arise.