GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.135 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.11.2019

INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT ON J&K ISSUE

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Pakistan is reportedly getting frustrated and spreading false propaganda against India after removal of Article 370 and 35-A from Jammu and Kashmir;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Pakistan is being condemned and not being taken seriously on this issue by the international community and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether India is getting extensive international support on this issue and Pakistan has become isolated from the international community; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (DR. SUBRAHMANYAM JAISHANKAR)

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *135 REGARDING "INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT ON J&K ISSUE" FOR ANSWER ON 27.11.2019

(a) to (e) Pakistan has repeatedly resorted to false and malicious propaganda against India, including on the issue of Jammu and Kashmir at international fora such as the United Nations, the UN Human Rights Council and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation.

Government has completely and unequivocally rejected in entirety all such actions and statements by Pakistan. Government has adopted proactive approach and briefed members of the international community on the facts. They have been apprised of Pakistan's continued aid and abetment to crossborder terrorism against India, including in the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir.

As a result of Government's efforts, Pakistan's attempts to interfere in internal affairs of India; to present an alarmist situation of the region; and its abuse of international fora including United Nations have been successfully and effectively thwarted. Countries have shown understanding that matters related to Jammu and Kashmir, which is an integral part of India, are internal to India. Countries have also called on Pakistan to not allow its territory to be used for terrorism in any manner. They have also acknowledged that issues, if any, between India and Pakistan should be addressed bilaterally and peacefully.
