

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA

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ANSWERED ON - 25/07/2025

ROLE OF U.S, IN INDO-PAK CEASEFIRE

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the ceasefire between India and Pakistan arrived at the behest of U.S. interference just after three days of operations against Pakistan when the Indian Armed Forces had the upper hand in the conflict, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any communication/high level meeting was held with the USA prior to the announcement of the ceasefire between Indian and Pakistan, if so the details of key points of meeting;

(c) whether any role was played by the Government/President of USA in Indo-Pak ceasefire on May 2025, if so, the details thereof; and if

not, the steps taken by the Government to check/allay such false rumours;

(d) whether it is a fact that the United States linked trade tariff concessions as leverage to secure India's agreement to the ceasefire with Pakistan, if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether it was conveyed to USA that India is not for third party mediations on Kashmir issue, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

(a to e) India and Pakistan agreed on 10 May for a cessation of firing and military activity as a result of direct contact between the DGMOs of both nations. This contact was initiated by the Pakistani side. India had already achieved on 08 May the main objectives that it had set forth in terms of destroying designated terrorism infrastructure in Pakistan and Pakistan-Occupied Jammu & Kashmir.

Between 22 April when the Pahalgam terrorist attack happened and 10 May, there were a number of diplomatic conversations with various countries at different levels, including with the United

States. All our interlocutors were given a common message that India's approach was focused, measured and non-escalatory.

With specific regard to the United States, it was conveyed to Vice President J.D.Vance on 09 May that India would appropriately respond if Pakistan launched a major attack. The issue of our trade discussions did not come up in the context of conversations pertaining to the conflict.

As regards any proposal for third party mediation, our long standing position remains that any outstanding issue with Pakistan will be discussed only bilaterally. This has been made clear to all nations, including by the Prime Minister to the US President.
