

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1736
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.12.2015**

CHINESE PRESENCE IN POK

†1736. SHRI ANANT KUMAR HEGDE:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether China has allegedly established its presence well across Pakistan Occupied Kashmir (PoK);**
- (b) if so, the facts thereof;**
- (c) whether China is also investing in infrastructure projects in PoK;**
- (d) if so, the details in this regard;**
- (e) whether the Government has taken/is taking steps to keep a check on such activities in the security interest of the country; and**
- (f) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
[GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]**

(a) to (f) Government has seen reports with regard to China's involvement in infrastructure building activities in Pakistan Occupied Kashmir (POK) including under the so-called China-Pakistan Economic Corridor. Government's consistent position is that Pakistan has been in illegal occupation of parts of the Indian state of Jammu & Kashmir since 1947. Government has conveyed its concerns to China about their activities in Pakistan Occupied Kashmir and asked them to cease such activities. Government keeps a constant watch on all development having a bearing on India's security and takes all necessary measures to safeguard it.
