

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
RAJYA SABHA  
QUESTION NO 180  
ANSWERED ON 03.01.2018**

**Dialogue in Jammu and Kashmir**

180                      Shri Husain Dalwai

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) what is the purpose of appointing Shri Dineshwar Sharma as a representative of Government to initiate a dialogue in Jammu and Kashmir;
- (b) what is the nature and scope of this engagement;
- (c) whether Government has set a timeline and end goal for this engagement and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) what plan of action has been put in place to facilitate dialogue between different organisations, elected representatives and Shri Dineshwar Sharma?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE REPLY TO THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED  
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KASHMIR

(a) to (d): Shri Dineshwar Sharma, former Director of Intelligence Bureau, has been appointed as the Representative of the Government of India to initiate and carry forward a dialogue with the elected representatives, various organizations and concerned individuals in the State of Jammu and Kashmir. No timelines have been fixed.

Shri Dineshwar Sharma has conducted 3 visits of Jammu and Kashmir so far. During his visits to Jammu and Kashmir, he has met a large number of delegations/individuals representing the youth and students, migrants and various political parties.

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