India promoting terrorism in Afghanistan: Pakistan FO

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Islamabad: Pakistan today accused India of promoting â€˜state-sponsored terrorismâ€™ in Afghanistan to sabotage the Islamabad-Kabul ties.

Foreign Office spokesperson Nafees Zakaria

"Pakistan and Afghanistan need to closely coordinate with each other for overcoming the scourge of terrorism," Foreign Office spokesperson Nafees Zakaria said during a weekly media briefing.

Zakaria said that Afghanistan had been in turmoil for over 40 years and this had given space to terrorists.

"Afghans have suffered a lot due to terrorism, so have we," the FO official said.

"An instable Afghanistan has affected Pakistan more than any other country," he said, adding that Pakistan believed in an Afghan-owned and Afghan-led peace process.

Zakaria further warned New Delhi against making any â€˜strategic miscalculationâ€™.

He even claimed that â€˜it appears India is seeking a conflict with Pakistanâ€™.

He said that Pakistan has always exercised restraint but India's â€˜belligerence is a threat to regional peace and securityâ€™.

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