

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:369
ANSWERED ON:07.07.2004
STRENGTHENING RELATIONS WITH EU
Kurup Adv. Suresh

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government has initiated any new steps to strengthen its relationship with the European Union;
- (b) If so, whether there has been any talks between the European Union and India recently; and
- (c) If so, the details and outcome of the said talks?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

a)b)&c) Since the institutionalization of Annual Summit-level Dialogue between India and the EU in June 2000, bilateral relations have diversified into a multi-faceted partnership. The India-EU Troika Ministerial Dialogue was held on 16th February 2004 in New Delhi. Both sides reviewed bilateral relations and exchanged views on regional and global developments.