

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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Indo-China Talks During Brics

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

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- (a) the details of the talks held/issues raised recently with Chinese President during BRICS Conference;
- (b) whether China is ready to support India for its entry into Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG);
- (c) whether any discussion was held with China with regard to the issue of Pakistan sponsored terrorism; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the response of other countries including China in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
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(a) Chinese President H.E. Mr. Xi Jinping visited India on 15-16 October 2016 to participate in the 8th BRICS Summit held in Goa. Prime Minister met with President Xi on 15 October 2016. During the meeting, various issues of mutual interest and concern were discussed. Both sides emphasized the importance of strengthening of bilateral Closer Developmental Partnership.

(b) Government has been engaging with all members of the Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG) including China in the context of its interest in membership of the Group. In this regard, two rounds of talks have taken place between India and China recently, the first one on 13 September 2016 in New Delhi and the second on 31 October 2016 in Beijing. The talks have been substantive, frank and constructive.

(c) & (d) India and China have maintained a continuous dialogue on the issue of terrorism. This has been raised at various levels including at the highest possible level. We have conveyed that cross-border terrorism is a serious threat that the international community faces. We have urged all countries including China to adopt a zero tolerance towards terrorism, and strengthen counter terrorism cooperation. In this context we have called upon all countries to work with India for early adoption of the Comprehensive Convention on International Terrorism in the UN. The BRICS member states strongly condemned terrorism in all its forms and manifestations. They agreed to strengthen cooperation in combating international terrorism. They called upon all countries to adopt a comprehensive approach in combating terrorism including dismantling of terrorist bases and movement of terrorists.