

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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CO-OPERATION IN SPACE EXPLORATION
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Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and Russia had agreed to set-up a working group on co-operation in space exploration;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the progress achieved in this regard so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPACE (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE):

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) India and Russia signed an Agreement in 1994 for co-operation in the peaceful uses of outer space and a working group has been set up for overview of the implementation.
- (c) Two meetings of the working group have been held in December 1995 and January 2001 and possible areas of co-operation have been addressed.