GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1583 ANSWERED ON:29.11.2000 UN MILLENNIUM SUMMIT MADHAVRAO SCINDIA;RENUKA CHOWDHURY;SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the declarations adopted at the three day UN Millennium Summit held in New York in September, 2000;

(b) the details of the steps, if any envisaged to ensure democratic regime in counties which are still under military or other nondemocratic regime; and

(c) the step taken/being taken by the Government in pursuit of these declarations within the country and outside, especially with respect of neighbouring countries?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA)

(a) The Declaration adopted at the UN Millennium Summit has eight sections covering values and principles; peace, security and disarmament; development and poverty eradication; protecting our common environment; human rights, democracy and good governance; protecting the vulnerable; meeting the special needs of Africa; and, strengthening the United Nations.

(b) The Declaration resolves to promote democracy and to strengthen the capacity of all countries to implement democratic principle and practices.

(c) Within the country, the policies and programmes being implemented by the Government are in conformity with the spirit of the Declaration. Government's interaction with other nations including neighbouring states is aimed inter-alia at promoting democracy, peace and security; and is in accordance with the avowed objectives of the Declaration.