

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SPACE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6447  
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ASEAN AND SPACE APPLICATION TECHNOLOGY  
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**Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the ten-nation ASEAN bloc is looking towards India for building expertise in the space application technology;
- (b) if so, whether any formal agreement in this regard has been signed;
- (c) if so, the main features thereof;
- (d) whether India has agreed to provide expertise in the space application technology to SAARC countries; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND  
PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINIS  
OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND DEPARTMENT OF SPACE (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a),(b) & (c) The matter of co-operation in Space Applications was discussed during the Third meeting of the ASEAN-India Working Group on Science & Technology at Bangalore held during March 4 - 5, 2002, under the Sub-Committee on Space Technology & Applications (SCOSA). India has offered to provide training to one participant from each of the ASEAN countries for a duration of 3 months in remote sensing and Geographical Information System (GIS).

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.