GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Prime Minister attended the G-8 Summit held in Japan recently;
- (b) if so, the details of the discussions held there and the outcome thereof;
- (c) whether there was any proposal to expand G-8; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS(SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

- (a) Prime Minister attended the G-8 Summit's Outreach Sessions in Japan on 9 July, 2008.
- (b) The issues discussed at the Outreach Sessions covered the state of the world economy including rising oil and food prices, climate change & environment, development with focus on Africa and regional issues.
- (c) No Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.