

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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**Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether India and Japan have agreed for an action plan which entails 'two-plus-two' security dialogue between their respective Defence and Foreign Secretaries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the framework of the proposed action plan will be different from two-plus-two format in vogue between Japan and US or Japan and Australia;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the extent to which it will be beneficial to India and the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS(SHRI S. M. KRISHNA)

- (a) to (b) As part of the Action Plan to advance India-Japan Security Cooperation issued during the visit of Prime Minister of Japan to India in December 2009, the two sides established a mechanism of Annual Subcabinet/Senior Officials two-plus two dialogue with Ministry of External Affairs and Ministry of Defence on the Indian side and Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Defense on the Japanese side.
- (c) to (d) Japan-US two-plus-two dialogue and Japan-Australia two-plus-two dialogue are both at Ministerial level.
- (e) The Action Plan came into operation on the date of issue (29 December 2009). The Action Plan, which identifies specific measures to advance security cooperation, promotes dialogue on peace and security and consolidates the India-Japan Global and Strategic Partnership.