## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether India has signed or proposes to sign any agreement with other countries in the wake of increasing terrorist attacks; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

## **Answer**

## THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SMT. PRENEET KAUR)

(a) & (b) As part of our efforts to combat the menace of international terrorism, Joint Working Groups (JWGs) on Counter Terrorism have been established with 25 countries and 2 regional organizations. The JWG meetings provide a forum for counter-terrorism cooperation through sharing information and assessments regarding global and regional terror threats, training and capacity building, promoting cooperation in counter-terrorism relation technologies and equipment, combating terror finance and illicit narcotics, and strengthening of multilateral efforts in the area of counter-terrorism.

The JWGs have served as a useful platform for cooperation in counter-terrorism through sharing mutual threat perceptions, assessing the regional security situation, coordinating approaches and action, and addressing common concerns such as drug-trafficking, financing of terrorism, bio-terrorism, aviation security, cyber security, law enforcement, mutual legal assistance and extradition.