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ISSUES TAKEN UP IN G-20 SUMMIT

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of discussions and resolutions passed in the recently held G-20 summit in Cannes; and
- (b) the point-wise details of issues taken up in the summit alongwith stand taken and commitment made by India thereon ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) The sixth summit of G20 Leaders was held in Cannes, France on 3-4 November, 2011. The agenda for discussion in the meeting included; (i) Global Economic Situation; (ii) Action Plan for Growth and Jobs (Framework); (iii) Reform of the International Monetary System; (iv) Development - Trade; (v) Global Governance; (vi) Financial Regulation; (vii) Agriculture - Energy - Climate; (viii) Social Dimension - Fight Against Corruption. The decisions reached on the agenda items are contained in the final Summit documents (Communique, Declaration and Cannes Action Plan for Growth and Jobs) that are available at the G20 website: <http://www.g20.org/pub.j:ommuniques.aspx>

(b) The Prime Minister attended the G20 Leaders Summit and a copy of his intervention at Cannes is available online at the Prime Minister's Office website <http://pmindia.nic.in/speech/content4print.asap?id=1111>. Among others, India expressed its concerns regarding the need to quickly put in place a credible resolution for the Eurozone crisis, including for the IMF to play its part in restoring stability in Europe. At the same time, the IMF was urged to keep in mind the liquidity requirements of developing countries that are not at the centre of the crisis, but may nevertheless be adversely affected as innocent bystanders.

India also urged that while the G-20 battles with short term problems of crisis management it must not lose sight of the developmental needs of developing economies as they are now threatened by slowing trend growth in developed countries and uncertainties in financial markets. In this regard, India called for measures to redirect global savings so that they could be leveraged to increase investments in developing countries which would also help offset the moderation in private demand in industrialized countries. India suggested that Multilateral Development Banks could play a key role in mobilizing and deploying global savings.

India also raised concerns on improving tax information exchange, including on automatic basis. This has been incorporated in the Leaders final documents. The Cannes Action Plan for Growth and Jobs contains country specific policy commitments and some measurable targets. India's commitments are over the medium term in the areas of fiscal consolidation including tax and subsidy reforms and infrastructure investments.