

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3404

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BILATERAL TIES WITH SOUTH KOREA

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any bilateral agreements have been made between India and South Korea during the recent visit of the Prime Minister to South Korea; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED)

(a) & (b) During the visit of Prime Minister to the Republic of Korea from 24 - 27 March 2012, an Agreement on Simplification of Visa Procedures was signed to encourage greater contacts, travel and engagement between India and the Republic of Korea. A Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation between Korea National Diplomatic Academy (KNDA) and Foreign Service Institute (FSI) to exchange faculty, trainees, and best practices was also concluded.