

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3225
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NSG MEMBERSHIP
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India is soon likely to become a member of Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which India is likely to attain the membership of NSG;
- (c) whether certain countries including United States are favouring India's cause for NSG membership; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the names of the countries in favour of and those against India's becoming a member of NSG?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI PRENEET KAUR)

(a) to (d) The Government has expressed its interest in the full membership of Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG). United States, France and Russia have publicly stated their support for India's membership of NSG. NSG deliberations are confidential in nature. A decision on India's membership is subject to consensus among NSG members.