

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS  
LOK SABHA**

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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether UN Conference on Sustainable Development was held in Rio de Janeiro;
- (b) if so, the details of the decisions taken at the Summit;
- (c) whether India participated in the said Summit;
- (d) if so, the details thereof with the points/issues raised by India therein?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Outcome Document titled "The Future We Want" was adopted at the end of the Conference. The document covers the areas of 'Common vision', 'Renewing political commitment', 'Green economy in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication', 'Institutional framework for sustainable development', 'Framework for action and follow-up' and 'Means of implementation'.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) As far as India is concerned, the most significant outcomes of the Conference have been the restoration of the centrality of equity and the principle of common but differentiated responsibility in the global environmental discourse, especially in climate change negotiations; placing poverty eradication at the centre of the global development agenda and providing the required domestic policy space to the countries on green economy. The Conference also decided to launch four processes/ mechanisms, to develop Sustainable Development Goals, on financing strategy, on technology transfer, and to define the format and organisational aspects of the proposed high level political forum to follow up on the implementation of sustainable development.