

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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POST-2015 DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India has an official position on the post-2015 framework which is expected to replace Millennium Development Goals (MDG);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the time by which the Government will develop a public position on the issue; and
- (d) the details of sectoral analysis of all the targets to be achieved under MDG vis-à-vis the new post-2015 framework?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Government attaches importance to the ongoing international deliberations on a Post-2015 Development Framework. Consultations with Ministries/Departments of Government have taken place to evolve an official position on this issue. The focus of the Post-2015 Development Agenda should be on development, at the core of which is poverty eradication. The Post-2015 Development Agenda should, inter alia, promote robust economic growth, address socio-economic challenges and preserve the national policy space and priorities of developing countries. It should respect the Rio Principles of 1992 which were reaffirmed at the Rio+20 Conference in 2012. Priority should be given to means of implementation for developing countries including additional financial assistance, technology transfer and capacity building. We expect the agenda to be finalized in the UN by the member states through an inter-governmental process.

(d) As regards MDGs vis-à-vis the new post-2015 development framework, while sectoral targets in the post-2015 framework have not been set, international deliberations recognize the need to address the MDGs in the context of a Post-2015 framework.