

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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SECURITY AGREEMENT WITH RUSSIA

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and Russia have discussed bilateral security matters in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard;
- (c) whether any Protocol related to Agreement for Cooperation in the field of Emergency Management has also been signed between the two countries; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the salient features of the said agreement?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) & (b): Yes Madam. Government of India Delegation, led by Hon'ble Union Home Minister held discussions with Government of Russia Delegations, led respectively by Hon'ble Minister of Interior and Hon'ble Minister for Emergency Situations, in April, 2013 in Moscow to discuss matters relating to bilateral security cooperation between the two countries in various fields such as combating drug trafficking, Disaster Management, Training/ Capacity Building of Indian Police Officers, security related Equipments and Technology, etc.

(c) to (d): Yes Madam. A Protocol related to Agreement for Cooperation in the field of Emergency Management between India and Russia was signed between the two countries during the visit of Government of India Delegation to Russia in May, 2013. The Agreement for cooperation in the field of Emergency Management between the two countries was signed during the 11th Indo-Russian Annual Summit held in December 2010 in New Delhi. The main areas and forms of cooperation are exchange of information, early warning, assessment of risks, joint conferences, seminars, workshops, training of specialists, mutual assistance in providing technical facilities and equipment, mutual assistance in enhancing early warning systems and capacity building in emergency preparedness, prevention and response, planning and carrying out of activities related to emergency preparedness, prevention and response etc.