

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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DIPLOMATIC PRESSURE ON MYANMAR  
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**Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government of India is putting some kind of diplomatic pressure on Myanmar to restore democracy there;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether India alongwith USA is also urging the Myanmar Government to release Aung San Suu Kyi from detention; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI S.M. KRISHNA)

(a) to (d) We have emphasized to the Government of Myanmar that the process of national reconciliation and political reform initiated by the Government of Myanmar should be taken forward expeditiously. We have reiterated that it should be inclusive and broad-based, including Daw Aung San Suu Kyi and the various ethnic groups. India will continue to play a constructive role in working towards this end.