

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SPACE  
LOK SABHA**

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JOINT DECLARATION IN SPACE SECTOR  
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**Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether any joint declaration has been made in the field of space during the recent visit of the President of USA;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of benefits from the said declaration?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PG & PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE  
(DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

(a)&(b) The Joint Statement released on January 25, 2015 during the visit of President of USA to India, mentioned about cooperation in the field of space. The cooperation in the field of earth sciences and Mars exploration were addressed in the Joint Statement. The relevant paragraphs of the Joint Statement are given in the Annexure.

(c) The cooperation in the field of space, mentioned in the Joint Statement released on January 25, 2015 during the visit of President of USA to India, will strengthen the existing bilateral space cooperation between the space agencies, being pursued under India-U.S. Civil Space Joint Working Group meetings, particularly on joint realisation of a dual frequency radar imaging satellite for Earth Sciences; and on exploring possibilities for cooperation in studying Mars.