

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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STRENGTHENING INDO- CHINA TIES  
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**Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether India has unveiled an ambitious agenda to elevate its ties with China and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether India has also announced a six point proposal to jointly realise with China to usher in an Asia Century during the recent visit of External Affairs Minister (EAM) to China and if so, the details in this regard; and
- (c) the positive steps proposed for further strengthening bilateral ties with China?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS [GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

(a) to (c) During the visit of Chinese President Xi Jinping to India in September 2014, Prime Minister Sh. Narendra Modi and President Xi Jinping agreed to build a closer developmental partnership and make it a core component of the India-China Strategic and Cooperative Partnership for Peace and Prosperity.

During the visit to China from 31 January to 03 February, 2015, External Affairs Minister (EAM) Smt. Sushma Swaraj proposed that the two countries should follow

- (i) action oriented approach
- (ii) broad base bilateral engagement
- (iii) convergence of common regional and global interests
- (iv) develop new areas of cooperation
- (v) expand strategic communication
- (vi) fulfill common aspirations to usher "Asian Century".

Both sides have agreed to maintain the momentum of high-level exchanges and deepen cooperation with a determination to add new content and substance to the relationship.