

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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Visit of Home Minister to China

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Home Minister has visited China recently, if so, the details thereof along with the issues discussed therein;
- (b) whether both countries have agreed to form ministerial level mechanism to boost security cooperation, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken to enhance the security cooperation to tackle global terrorism, trans-national crimes, drug trafficking etc.?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

(a) and (b): Yes, Madam. At the invitation of the Ministry of Public Security of the People's Republic of China, Hon'ble Union Home Minister visited China in November, 2015. In Beijing, Hon'ble Union Home Minister held meetings with the Hon'ble Minister of Public Security of People's Republic of China and the Secretary of the Central Political and Legal Affairs Commission of the Chinese Communist Party. He also called on the Hon'ble Chinese Premier.

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During the discussions, both sides agreed to enhance cooperation in combating terrorism, drug-related crimes, cyber crimes, economic crimes, illegal immigration activities and other transnational crimes as well as encourage long-term, healthy and stable development of law enforcement cooperation between them. A consensus was reached to establish a High Level Meeting Mechanism led by the Home Minister of India and the Minister of Public Security of China, to be held in Beijing and Delhi once every two years. A Joint Statement between Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Public Security of the People's Republic of China was issued.

In Shanghai, Hon'ble Union Home Minister met the Mayor of Shanghai and discussed ways to institutionalize annual exchanges as part of the sister city relationship with Mumbai, in particular strengthening of exchanges between the police forces of Shanghai and Mumbai.

(c) The steps taken to enhance security cooperation include establishment of mechanism for meetings at senior officers' level and exchange of information on security related matters. The two sides have agreed to work towards signing of an agreement on security cooperation.
