

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and Pakistan are contemplating theatre festivals and collaborative production with actors from both countries and if so, the details in this regard;
- (b) whether any discussion has been held between the two countries in this direction; and
- (c) if so, the details and the outcome thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) In keeping with the vision of Simla Agreement 1972 to build peaceful, friendly and cooperative relations between the two countries, Government encourages cultural exchanges with Pakistan that are presently being organized by private individuals.