

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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IMPHAL AND MANDALAY BUS SERVICE
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to launch a weekly cross-border bus service between Imphal in Manipur and Mandalay in Central Myanmar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the modalities for finalizing the MoU in this regard have been completed;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which the said bus service is likely to become fully operational?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) Government is engaged in discussions with the Government of Myanmar on starting a cross-border bus service between Imphal in Manipur and Mandalay in Myanmar. In this regard, provisions of the MOU on the bus service and a draft Protocol on operational modalities are being discussed with the Myanmar side.