

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.974**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.03.2017

**BUDGETARY ALLOCATION FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF FOREIGN  
POLICY**

974. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that lack of adequate budgetary allocations has resulted in lack of coherence in foreign policy implementation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the budgetary allocations for the year 2017-18 is adequate;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the steps taken by the Ministry for getting more budgetary allocations?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (e) The Ministry prioritizes and rationalizes its expenditure within allocated budgetary ceilings while ensuring that foreign policy priorities and objectives are addressed and met. The Ministry will continue its efforts to seek enhancement of funds allocation from Ministry of Finance, including projecting its requirements with justifications in the Supplementary Demands for Grants and at Revised Estimates stage of FY 2017-18.

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