GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.327 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2018

SUMMIT TALKS WITH JAPAN

327. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of summit talks Prime Minister had with his Japanese counterpart recently;
- (b) whether defence and regional security issues were also discussed and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the situation in Indo-Pacific region on the range of regional and global issues was also discussed and, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) During the visit of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi to Japan for the 13th India-Japan Annual Summit in October 2018, both sides reviewed the existing cooperation and discussed the agenda for future cooperation under the framework of India-Japan Special Strategic and Global Partnership. During the visit, a number of important decisions were taken and MoUs/agreements concluded, covering areas as diverse as economic partnership, maritime security, new and digital technologies, healthcare, food processing, science and technology, earth sciences, environment, sports, etc.

During the Summit, the two sides reaffirmed their commitment to promote bilateral security and defence cooperation, including in the area of defence equipment and technology. Regional security issues such as terrorism and nuclear proliferation were also discussed, along with exchange of views on regional and global issues of common interest. The two sides committed to working together to promote peace, stability and prosperity in the Indo-Pacific region through economic growth and development and by enhancing connectivity and capacity building.
