

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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RAJYA SABHA
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STRATEGY FOR IRAN-USA-GULF CONFLICT

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has formulated a comprehensive diplomatic strategy to safeguard India's strategic, energy and economic interests amid the ongoing Iran–USA–Gulf conflict;
- (b) whether India has undertaken any diplomatic initiatives to promote de-escalation while maintaining balanced relations with Iran, the Gulf countries, Israel and the United States;
- (c) the details of consultations held with major regional and global partners on ensuring uninterrupted energy supplies and maritime security; and
- (d) whether Government proposes to prepare a long-term National West Asia Strategy to address emerging geopolitical challenges and protect India's strategic autonomy?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

(a) to (d) The continued conflict in West Asia and related developments are a matter of utmost concern to India.

Since the onset of the conflict, the Government has been in close contact with the concerned parties, including regional and international interlocutors. At the leadership level, Prime Minister has spoken on this issue with his counterparts and External Affairs Minister has remained engaged with his counterparts in these countries.

India has reiterated that dialogue and diplomacy should be pursued to arrive at a peaceful and lasting solution to the conflict. India has also underlined the need to ensure unimpeded freedom of navigation and the safe flow of energy and commerce in and around the Strait of Hormuz.

The Government continues to leverage diplomatic engagement with its regional partners to advance India's broader strategic and economic interests, and to ensure the safety and security of Indians in the region.

The Government has also diversified its energy and fertiliser imports, and has strengthened its strategic petroleum reserves to serve long term interests.
