

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1490
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2017

Withdrawal of US from Paris Agreement

1490. SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the withdrawal of the USA from the Paris Agreement is likely to put pressure on India and the other signatories to do more to cap global warming below 2°C and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the decision of USA would affect the proposed funding mechanism and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government has any concrete action plan to overcome the situation and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(DR. HARSH VARDHAN)

- (a) and (b) USA is the second largest Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emitter presently. However, if cumulative historical emissions are counted, US would be largest GHG emitter historically. So, its withdrawal will affect control of cumulative global GHG emissions. It will also affect the availability of international funds for climate change. Each country is required to submit its Nationally Determined Contributions as per its own priorities and constraints.
- (c) India is committed to implement its goals as part of its Nationally Determined Contributions under Paris Agreement as per the specific sectoral policies and priorities of the Government.
