

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1532
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2017

Commitments under Paris Climate Agreement

1532. SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI:
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) the commitments made by India under the Paris Climate Agreement;
- (b) the progress made so far in the fulfillment of the said commitments including reduction of carbon emission intensity and increasing the forest cover;
- (c) the strategy adopted/proposed to be adopted towards climate change mitigation post the Paris Agreement;
- (d) whether under the new National goals on climate change as per the Paris Agreement, the State Action Plan on Climate Change (SAPCC) needs to be realigned to address the present needs; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken in this regard?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Under the Paris Agreement, India submitted its Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) outlining eight (8) targets for 2021-2030, including (i) to reduce Green House Gas (GHG) emissions intensity of its Gross Domestic Product (GDP) by 33 to 35 percent by 2030 from 2005 level, (ii) to achieve about 40 percent cumulative electric power installed capacity from non-fossil fuel based energy resources by 2030 with the help of transfer of technology and low cost international finance including from Green Climate Fund (GCF), (iii) to create an additional carbon sink of 2.5 to 3 billion tonnes of CO₂ equivalent through additional forest and tree cover by 2030. The other targets pertain to sustainable lifestyles; climate friendly growth path; climate change adaptation; climate change finance; and capacity building and technology.
- (b) and (c) Action under the Paris Agreement is for post-2020 period. The Government has undertaken consultations with the relevant Ministries to finalise the programmes and measures for implementing the NDC. Government is also implementing National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC) to pursue the relevant activities as part of specific national missions to achieve the domestic goal in the area of climate change. Four missions namely National Solar Mission, National Mission on Enhanced Energy

Efficiency, National Mission on Sustainable Habitat and Green India Mission include mitigation activities.

(d) and (e) The State Action Plans on Climate Change (SAPCCs) are already consistent with the objectives of the National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC) and highlight state priorities and concerns on climate change. No state specific goals are set under the Paris Agreement.
