GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXERNAL AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.889 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2018

TIES WITH NORTH KOREA

889. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether post North Korean missile test, India is under pressure from the US Government to scale down the ties with North Korea;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any attempt has been made by the Government to urge North Korea to roll back its nuclear and missile programme;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether India is making any effort to rope in the international community to deal with this serious situation and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether any positive results have been achieved in this regard 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 (f) The Government of India shares international community's concerns with regard to DPRK's destabilizing activities which adversely impact peace and stability in the region and beyond. India has called upon DPRK to refrain from such actions. DPRK's continued pursuit of nuclear and ballistic missiles programmes and its proliferation links directly impacts India's national security, while posing a grave threat to international peace. The Government of India is of the view that any solution to the Korean Peninsula must take into account and address concerns about the proliferation linkages of DPRK's nuclear and missile programmes.

India remains engaged with the international community on the situation in the Korean Peninsula.
