

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1479
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.12.2018

BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH SRI LANKA

1479. SHRIMATI VASANTHI M:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- a) whether the Government has held discussions with the Sri Lankan Government recently covering the entire gamut of bilateral relationship and ways to deepen the historically close relations between the two countries;
- b) if so, the details therefor;
- c) whether the two sides, reviewed the progress in implementation of various decisions taken during the high level exchanges in the recent past; and
- d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) Discussions covering the entire gamut of bilateral relations between India and Sri Lanka took place recently during the official visit of Prime Minister of Sri Lanka to India from 18-20 October 2018. The Sri Lankan Prime Minister held extensive talks with the Prime Minister, wherein both sides reviewed the progress in implementation of various decisions taken during high level exchanges in the recent past. They took stock of the mutually agreed economic and development assistance projects and also discussed projects which are under various stages of negotiation, including energy, water, connectivity and infrastructure projects. These projects are aimed at furthering socio-economic development of the people of Sri Lanka.
