GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3962 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.01.2019

Targets of Climate Change

3962. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:

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

- (a) whether the Government has announced that India would achieve the targets of climate change well in advance of target date at a recent World Conference at Poland;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the World Bank have doubled the funding to the needy countries to tackle climate change; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

- (a) & (b) In 2010, India took up a voluntary goal to reduce the emission intensity of its Gross Domestic Product (GDP) by 20-25 per cent from 2005 levels by 2020. The emission intensity of GDP has been reduced by 21% between 2005 and 2014 (as per India's second Biennial Update Report 2018) and hence the goal has been achieved ahead of target date of 2020. The commitments under Paris Agreement, called "Nationally Determined Contributions" (NDC), are for implementation in post 2020 period, which the country is confident of achieving by 2030.
- (c) & (d) The World Bank Group has announced, doubling its current 5-year investments to around \$200 billion in support for countries to take ambitious climate action, with a strong focus on increasing adaptation; leveraging private sector finance and supporting increased systemic climate action at the country level between 2021-2025.
