

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.170
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.07.2019**

SHANGHAI COOPERATION ORGANISATION (SCO) SUMMIT

***170. SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL:
SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:**

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India participated in the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Summit held recently in Bishkek (Kyrgyzstan);**
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of the countries which participated in the said summit;**
- (c) the details of leaders of different countries with whom India held meetings outside the SCO Summit at Bishkek along with the issues discussed and consensus arrived at the meetings;**
- (d) whether leaders of different countries have asked India and Pakistan to resolve issues bilaterally and start discussion; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?**

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
(DR. SUBRAHMANYAM JAISHANKAR)**

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (E) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*170 REGARDING SHANGHAI COOPERATION ORGANISATION (SCO) SUMMIT TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.07.2019

The SCO Summit was held in Bishkek on June 13-14, 2019. All the SCO member States- India, Kazakhstan, China, Kyrgyzstan, Pakistan, Russia, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan- participated in the Summit. The Indian delegation was led by Hon'ble Prime Minister. SCO Observer States- Iran, Afghanistan, Belarus and Mongolia- joined the Members in the expanded session of the SCO Summit in Bishkek.

On the sidelines of the SCO Summit, Prime Minister held meetings with President Xi Jinping of China, President Vladimir Putin of Russia and President Ashraf Ghani of Afghanistan. After the SCO Summit, Prime Minister and President Sooronbay Jeenbekov of the Kyrgyz Republic had a bilateral Summit meeting. During this meeting there was in-depth exchange of views between India and Kyrgyzstan on bilateral relations, international and regional issues of mutual interest.

There was no mention of bilateral relations between India and Pakistan during the SCO Summit.
