

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.743
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.6.2019**

SEAT IN UNSC

**†743. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:
SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:**

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken or proposes any initiative to get a permanent seat in the United National Security Council; and**
- (b) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
[SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN]**

(a) & (b) Government of India has accorded highest priority to getting permanent membership for India in an expanded United Nations Security Council. A series of initiatives involving bilateral and multilateral platforms have been undertaken by the Government in pursuance of this objective. India is actively engaged in the ongoing Inter-Governmental Negotiations on UNSC reform at the UN. India is working alongside other reform-oriented countries through its membership of the G-4 Group (India, Japan, Brazil and Germany) and the L.69 Group (cross-regional grouping of developing countries of Asia, Africa and Latin America) to build support among the UN member states for expansion of the UN Security Council.

As a result of India's sustained efforts, a large number of countries have supported India's candidature for permanent membership in an expanded UN Security Council. This has been expressed in various forms and fora including in bilateral inter-governmental meetings.
