

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
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NATIONAL FOREIGN POLICY

1427. SHRI RITESH PANDEY

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether India have an official National Foreign Policy document available in the public domain, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if not, whether the Government is planning to prepare any such document;
- (c) if so, whether the Government has organised any public consultations on the aforementioned subject; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN)

(a to d) While no single overarching policy document can capture all aspects of India's foreign policy, the principles of India's foreign policy are long-established and enduring. The underlying principles and priorities have been disseminated by the Ministry through various channels of communication that are available in the public domain.

Public statements by the Hon'ble President, Vice President, Prime Minister, Minister of External Affairs, the Ministers of State in the Ministry, and senior officials of the Ministry of External Affairs which are collated on the website of the Ministry are also utilized to articulate Indian foreign policy. The Annual Report of the Ministry contains a comprehensive statement of policies followed in the diplomatic sphere and their implementation. Replies to Parliamentary Questions, submissions to Parliamentary Committees and Ministerial statements also articulate foreign policy strategy in accordance with the rules of parliamentary democracy.
