

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3022
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2021

Deadlines on Emission Levels

3022. SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:
SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:
SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:
SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH:

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

- (a) whether the Government is committed to any deadlines on emission levels or climate change goals, and had always been responsible in protecting the climate;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether India has remained committed to sustainable development and also reiterated support for a joint US-India effort called the “India-US climate and clean energy Agenda 2030 partnership” to help mobilize investments, demonstrate clean technologies and enable green collaborations, thus creating a corpus that would assist other developing countries in protecting the climate by adapting clean technology; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and progress made along with the future action plan finalized so far?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

(a)& (b) India is a Party to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), its Kyoto Protocol, and the Paris Agreement. Under the Paris Agreement, India has submitted its Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) outlining eight targets for 2021-2030, including (i) to reduce the emissions intensity of its GDP by 33 to 35 per cent by 2030 from 2005 level, (ii) to achieve about 40 per cent cumulative electric power installed capacity from non-fossil fuel-based energy resources by 2030 with help of the transfer of technology and low-cost international finance, (iii) to create an additional carbon sink of 2.5 to 3 billion tonnes of CO₂ equivalent through additional forest and tree cover by 2030. The other targets pertain to sustainable lifestyles; climate friendly growth path; and climate change adaptation. These goals have to be achieved between 2021 and 2030.

(c) & (d) India and the United States have launched a new high-level, ‘US-India Climate and Clean Energy Agenda 2030 Partnership,’ at the Leaders’ Summit on Climate on 22 April 2021. Through the Partnership, India and the United States are firmly committed to working together in achieving their ambitious climate and clean energy targets and to strengthening bilateral collaboration across climate and clean energy, taking into account national circumstances and sustainable development priorities. The Partnership has two main tracks: the Strategic Clean Energy Partnership (SCEP) and the Climate Action and Finance Mobilization Dialogue (CAFMD).