

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**  
**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 1050**

**ANSWERED ON - 25/07/2025**

**SCO STAND ON ISRAEL'S ATTACKS ON IRAN**

**1050. SHRI S VENKATESAN**

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation's (SCO's) statement condemning Israel's attacks on Iran;**
- (b) if so, the reasons India distanced itself from the position of SCO on the above issue; and**
- (c) whether it will be a set back to the SCO which is an important initiative towards multipolarity, if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**(SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)**

**(a & b) The SCO issued a statement on developments between Israel and Iran on 14 June 2025. India's own position on the matter had been articulated by India on 13 June 2025, in which, India had urged that channels of dialogue and diplomacy be utilized to work towards de-escalation and it was essential that the international community undertake endeavors in that direction.**

**The External Affairs Minister too discussed the matter with his Iranian counterpart on 13 June 2025 and conveyed the deep concern of the international community at the turn of events. He also urged the avoidance of any escalatory steps and an early return to diplomacy.**

**The overall position of India as stated above was communicated to other SCO members. Keeping that in mind, India did not participate in the discussions on the above-mentioned SCO statement.**

**(c) Does not arise.**

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