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IMPACT OF RUSSIA-UKRAINE CRISIS ON INDO-RUSSIA RELATIONSHIP

1295. DR. V. MAITREYAN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the developments that arise in the wake of the present Russia-Ukraine crisis and its impact on Indo-Russian diplomatic relationship, if so, the details thereof and India's stand; and

(b) whether the diplomatic steps and measures in support of Russia taken by Government to find a concrete solution would affect its relationship with UK and USA, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
[GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

(a) Yes. The Government has been closely following developments surrounding the crisis in Ukraine. The Government frequently discusses the situation in Ukraine with global interlocutors, including from Russia. During the course of the crisis in Ukraine, the Government has made several statements clarifying its position on the issue. The Government has emphasized the need for all sides to exercise restraint and work together constructively to find political and diplomatic solutions, involving all stakeholders, to restore peace and normalcy in Ukraine and in the region. India has also expressed support for the unity and territorial integrity of all countries. The relations between India and Russia are on an upward trajectory and have a strong bilateral content, based on mutual interest, that leads to a 'special and privileged' strategic partnership. These time-tested relations are not affected by any

individual issue or crisis.

(b) India's relations with each global partner, including the US and the UK, stand on their own. India's stand on the Ukraine issue is not a factor impacting these relations. Our global partners are aware of India's publicly stated position on the Ukraine issue.



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