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# Q NO. 3878 STRENGTHENING OF TIES WITH NEPAL

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RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3878  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.08.2014

STRENGTHENING OF TIES WITH NEPAL

3878. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and Nepal have agreed to review the ties between the countries, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether in this direction both the countries have agreed to update the treaty of Peace and Friendship 1950 to implement bilateral investment promotion and protection on agreement (BIPPS); the details thereof?

## ANSWER

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

- (a) Yes. Both sides held the third meeting of the India-Nepal Joint Commission at the level of Foreign Ministers on 26 July 2014 in Kathmandu to review the ties between the two countries.
- (b) Yes. The Joint Commission reiterated the need for reviewing, adjusting and updating the Treaty of Peace and Friendship 1950, reflecting the current realities. It directed the Foreign Secretaries to make necessary recommendations. Both sides also stressed the need to complete necessary formalities to enable entry into force of the Bilateral Investment Protection and Promotion Agreement (BIPPA).



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