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## Q NO.503 NEPAL GOING CLOSE TO CHINA

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.503
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.12.2015

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503. SHRI MADHUSUDAN MISTRY:

SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY:

SHRI NARESH AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that India's relationship with the Himalayan nation Nepal have gone from bad to worse;
- (b) whether this is also a fact that Nepal is now moving towards China; and
- (c) the actions Government propose to take to mollify Nepal and smoothen our relations with Nepal?

## **ANSWER**

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

- (a) No.
- (b) The two nations have a long-standing relationship. But India's ties with Nepal stand on their own merits.
- (c) India continues to maintain close engagement and bilateral exchanges, as well as extend all assistance in accordance with the aspirations of the people of Nepal, for peace, stability and socio-economic

development of the country.

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