

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.528  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.02.2020**

**DOUBLE STANDARDS OF CHINA**

**†528. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:**

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the deceitful attitude of China still continues despite all efforts on the part of India to make the bilateral relations cordial;
- (b) if so, the manner in which India proposes to deal with double standards of China; and
- (c) if not, the details of the progress made in bilateral relations with China during the last five years?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
[SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN]**

(a) to (c) India's engagement with China is multifaceted. In recent years, in areas where we have commonality of views we have expanded our engagement. At the same time, the two sides have agreed to prudently manage their differences and not allow differences on any issue to become disputes. Prime Minister and Chinese President Xi Jinping have held two Informal Summits, first in April 2018 in Wuhan, China and the second in October 2019 in Chennai, India. In these Informal Summits, the two leaders have forged a consensus that the relationship between India and China, as two major countries in the world, has significance that transcends bilateral dimension. The two leaders have also reached a common understanding of the future direction of India-China relations built upon mutual respect for each other's developmental aspirations and prudent management of differences bearing in mind the importance of respecting each other's sensitivities, concerns and aspirations.

Government of India will continue to work towards development of our bilateral relations with China on the basis of the consensus reached between Prime Minister and President Xi Jinping.

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