

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
GENERAL (RETD.) V. K. SINGH: (a) Yes.

(b) and (c) Details of 'Festival of India' organized by ICCR in last five years are as follows:

Year	Name of Festival	Country	Expenditure (₹ in lakhs)
2009-10	Festival of India	Russia	419
	Festival of India	Argentina	30
2010-11	Festival of India	China	568
	Festival of India- Namaste France	France	121
	Festival of India	Argentina	33
	Mini Festival of India	Spain	29
2011-12	Year of India	USA & Canada	380
	Festival of India	South Korea	150
	Festival of India	Brazil	161
	Festival of India	Iran	19
	Festival of India	Russia	42
	Festival of India	Saudi Arabia	25
2012-13	Year of India	Germany	323
2013-14	Europalia. India 2014	Belgium	1278

Problems in nuclear trade with US over liability

2074. SHRI A. K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India and the United States held discussions recently about the problems in nuclear trade, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether trade had been blocked over US concerns on India's suppliers liability clause; and

(c) whether India has already been able to cross similar hurdles with France and Russia?

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GENERAL (RETD.) V. K. SINGH: (a) and (b) Yes. During the recent visit of the Prime Minister to the United States, the two sides agreed to establish a Contact Group

on advancing the implementation of civil nuclear energy co-operation. The Contact Group will discuss all implementation issues including liability.

(c) Implementation of nuclear power projects with France and Russia is also being taken forward in accordance with the relevant bilateral agreements. The General Framework Agreement for Units 3 and 4 at Kudankulam was signed on April 10, 2014. Commercial negotiations between Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited (NPCIL) and AREVA, France on the Jaitapur project are similarly under way.

Status of construction of Nalanda international university

†2075. DR. SANJAY SINH: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of the construction work of Nalanda international university;
- (b) whether the project work is lagging behind the schedule and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated by Government for this project; and
- (d) whether Government has fixed some final date for the construction work as well as the creation of resources and facilities for the university?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (GENERAL (RETD.) V. K. SINGH): (a) The construction of compound wall to protect the land from encroachment has been completed in July 2013 and the first phase of construction on site is expected to begin by the last quarter of 2014-15.

(b) The university planned to construct a Net Zero Energy Consumption campus which required wider consultation for preparing the brief for the launch of the Global Design Competition in November 2012. The winner of the competition was declared in the first week of May 2013 by an International Jury. In July 2013, the Expenditure Finance Committee scrutinised the budgetary support envisaged in EdCIL's detailed project report (DPR). The CCEA approval for the quantum of GOI assistance was conveyed in January 2014. Thereafter the University appointed the Architects and also signed a formal contract with them in May 2014.

(c) The Government has approved budgetary support of ₹ 2727.10 crores out of which 1749.65 crores is for non-recurring expenditure and ₹ 977.45 crores is for recurring expenditure during the period 2010-11 to 2021-22.

(d) The budgetary support towards capital expenditure during the establishment

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