

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.398
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.02.2021

DISCUSSIONS WITH FOREIGN MINISTER OF NEPAL

398. SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Foreign Minister of Nepal has recently visited New Delhi and had sought discussions with his counterpart and other dignitaries;
- (b) if so, the details of the discussion held with the Foreign Minister of Nepal;
- (c) whether several issues are pending to be discussed with the Government of Nepal; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) The Minister of Foreign Affairs of Nepal Mr. Pradeep Kumar Gyawali visited New Delhi from 14-16 January 2021 and co-chaired the sixth meeting of the India-Nepal Joint Commission on 15 January 2021, with the External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar. During the visit, he also met the Defence Minister of India.

During the Joint Commission meeting, both sides comprehensively reviewed all aspects of our bilateral cooperation including in the areas of connectivity, economy and trade, power, oil and gas, water resources, defence and security, cooperation between the two countries in combating Covid-19 pandemic, border management, development partnership, tourism, culture, education and capacity building.
