

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 3099
ANSWERED ON- 27/03/2025

TALKS WITH US ADMINISTRATION

3099. DR. PARMAR JASHVANTSINH SALAMSINH:

SHRI BRIJ LAL:

SMT. REKHA SHARMA:

SHRI BABURAM NISHAD:

SHRI TEJVEER SINGH:

SHRI NARHARI AMIN:

SHRI SUBHASH BARALA:

DR. MEDHA VISHRAM KULKARNI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:-

- (a) the details of the agreements made regarding strategic partnership during the External Affairs Minister's first bilateral meeting with the US Administration;
- (b) the manner in which both the countries are planning to strengthen their strategic partnership in the Indo-Pacific region;
- (c) whether a consensus was built on critical and emerging technologies; and
- (d) the details of the Quad Foreign Ministers meeting held in January 2025?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

(a) to (d) The External Affairs Minister represented the Prime Minister as his Special Envoy at the inauguration of the U.S. President on 20 January 2025. During bilateral interactions, both sides affirmed a shared commitment to strengthen the Comprehensive Global Strategic Partnership between India and the United States. A wide range of topics were discussed, including regional and global issues and opportunities for further deepening the India-U.S. partnership in critical and emerging technologies, defense cooperation, energy, education and legal mobility. No specific bilateral agreement was concluded during the visit.

The Quad Foreign Ministers met in Washington D.C. on 21 January 2025 and reaffirmed their shared commitment to strengthening a Free and Open Indo-Pacific where the rule of law, democratic values, sovereignty, and territorial integrity are upheld and defended. They underlined their conviction that international law, economic opportunity, peace, stability, and security in all domains including the

maritime domain, underpin the development and prosperity of the peoples of the Indo-Pacific. The Ministers also expressed their strong opposition to any unilateral actions that seek to change the status quo by force or coercion. They agreed to strengthen regional maritime, economic, and technology security as well as promoting reliable and resilient supply chains and advance the work of the Quad in preparation for the next Quad Leaders' Summit to be hosted by India in 2025.
