

LOK SABHA

Wednesday, February 19, 1969/Magha 30,
1890 (Saka)

The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the
Clock.

[MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: *in the Chair*]

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Shri Mani-
bhai Patel.

श्री मणिभाई जे० पटेल : उपाध्यक्ष
महोदय, मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ ...
(इंटरफ़ॉज)

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL
AFFAIRS (SHRI DINESH SINGH):
Probably he is suggesting that the next
question also may be taken up along with
this.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: All right.
Questions 31 and 32 can be clubbed to-
gether.

Indo-Iranian Industrial Collaboration

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*31. SHRI MANIBHAI J. PATEL:
SHRI N. K. SOMANI:
SHRI N. SHIVAPPA:
SHRI K. M. KOUSHIK:
SHRI R. K. AMIN:
SHRI D. N. PATODIA:
SHRI J. MOHAMMAD IMAM:
SHRI C. C. DESAI:
SHRI SHIV KUMAR

SHASTRI:
SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO:
SHRI SHIVA CHANDRA JHA:
SHRI NARAIA N SWARUP
SHARMA:
SHRI RAM SWARUP
VIDYARTHI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL
AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the result of the discussions held

between the Indian and Iranian delegations
for Industrial collaboration between the
two countries;

- (b) whether any agreement has been
signed;
(c) if so, the details thereof; and
(d) the extent to which India is likely
to be benefited as a result of this agree-
ment ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL
AFFAIRS (SHRI DINESH SINGH) : (a)
to (c). Following discussions between the
Shahanshah of Iran and the Prime Minister
of India, letters were exchanged on 22nd
January, 1969, between the Government
of India and Iran setting up the Indo-
Iranian Joint Commission for Economic,
Trade and Technical Cooperation. The
agreement stipulates that the joint
Commission will apply itself to further
developing economic, trade and technical
cooperation between the two Governments.
To facilitate the task of the Commission
sub-committees dealing, with trade,
petroleum, petrochemicals, engineering
industries, power and water development
and transportation have been established.

(d) It will be difficult at this stage to
quantify the benefits likely to accrue as a
result of the Agreement. However, the
Government of India believes that increased
economic, trade and technical cooperation
between the two countries will be mutually
advantageous.

Indo-Iranian Economic Cooperation

- *32. SHRI SITARAM KESRI:
SHRI MEETHA LAL MEENA:
SHRI VISHWA NATH PANDEY:
SHRI BIBHUTI MISHRA:
SHRI NARENDRA SINGH
MAHIDA:
SHRI SRADHAKAR SUPAKAR:
SHRI SHASHI BHUSHAN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL