

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2889
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20/12/2023

FTA

2889. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Free-Trade Agreement (FTA) initiatives have been taken by the Government with various countries to promote trade;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has also initiated Free-Trade Agreement (FTA) with Britain;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which the said FTA is likely to be implemented?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती अनुप्रिया पटेल)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a) & (b) India has signed 13 Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) with its trading partners to promote trade, a list of which is annexed. Further, India is presently engaged in FTA negotiations with a number of trading partners, namely, the United Kingdom; the European Union; Peru; Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein and Switzerland (EFTA countries); Sri Lanka and Oman.

(c) to (e) India and the United Kingdom are negotiating a Free Trade Agreement (FTA). 13 rounds of negotiations have been held so far. Both the countries are engaged in working out a trade deal that is fair, equitable and mutually beneficial, and takes into consideration the ambitions and sensitivities of both the sides.

Annexure referred to in reply to Parts (a) & (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2889 for answer on 20.12.2023

List of India's Free Trade Agreements (FTAs)

Sl. No.	Name of the Agreement
1	India - Sri Lanka FTA
2	Agreement on SAFTA (India, Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Bhutan, the Maldives and Afghanistan)
3	India Nepal Treaty of Trade
4	India - Bhutan Agreement on Trade Commerce and Transit
5	India - Thailand FTA - Early Harvest Scheme (EHS)
6	India - Singapore CECA
7	India - ASEAN- CECA - Trade in Goods, Services and Investment Agreement (Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam)
8	India - South Korea CEPA
9	India - Japan CEPA
10	India - Malaysia CECA
11	India - Mauritius Comprehensive Economic Cooperation and Partnership Agreement (CECPA)
12	India-UAE CEPA
13	India-Australia Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (Ind-Aus ECTA)
