

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

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VISIT OF SWISS TRADE TEAM
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Swiss trade team visited Hyderabad during their visit to India recently;
- (b) if so, whether the Swiss team selected Hyderabad to develop trade in India ; and
- (c) if so, the concrete steps taken by the Government to encourage them in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI. MURASOLI MARAN)

- (a) A Swiss delegation led by Mr. Pascal Couchepin, Minister of Economy visited Hyderabad during their visit to India during February 15-18, 2000.
- (b) The Swiss delegation identified Andhra Pradesh as one of the investment destinations in India.
- (c) Government has already liberalised the inflow of foreign investment and necessary bilateral framework exists for stepping up Swiss investment in India.