

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1321  
ANSWERED ON:02.03.2001  
MEETING OF PM'S ECONOMIC ADVISORY COUNCIL  
IQBAL AHMED SARADGI;Y.S. VIVEKANANDA REDDY

**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council meeting was held on 1st December, 2000;
- (b) if so, whether the main item discussed was about cheap imports;
- (c) if so, whether pressure is being mounted by major sections of the Indian Industry to go slow on tariff reforms for giving the local manufacturers more time to face competition;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the other issues discussed in the meeting;
- (e) whether any concrete decision about the cheap imports was taken; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (Dr. Raman Singh)

(a) to (f): A Statement is enclosed.

Statement Referred to in reply to parts (a) to (f) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1321 for answer on 2nd March, 2001

a) No meeting of the Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council was held on 1st December, 2000. However, a meeting was held on 30th November, 2000 to discuss roadmap on economic reforms. Suggestions made in the meeting are being examined by the respective departments.

b to f) Question does not arise.