

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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INDO-GERMAN BILATERAL TRADE
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indo - German bilateral trade during the calendar year 2001 (January to December) has increased by 7.7. per cent;
- (b) if so, whether this was more in comparison to the previous year;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any concrete steps have been considered to improve the trade with Germany; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a)&(b) No Sir. The Indo-German bilateral trade for January-December 2001 shows an increase of 2.34% over the figures for the same period of 2000 whereas the increase during January-December 2000 over January-December 1999 was 4.57% .

(c) Indo-German trade data for the past three years is given below:

Calendar Year Indo-German bilateral trade (Rs. Crores) Growth %age over
the previous year

1999	15,633.35	0.02
2000	16,346.05	4.57
2001	16,728.51	2.34

Data source: DGCI&S, Kolkata.

Note : India's export import data are maintained in financial year terms. The above figures have been tabulated taking into account the monthly data.

(d) & (e): The steps being taken by Government to improve the Indo-German bilateral trade include constant interaction with the European Union and Germany in order to address the different India-EU trade issues, facilities for participation in trade fairs, input for up gradation of quality, market study and facilitating trade/industry level interaction.