

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

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TRADE AND COMMERCE IN BANGLADESH
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to develop trade and commerce in Bangladesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any talk has been held between the two countries in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereof; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN)

(a) & (b) It is Government's Policy to develop trade and commerce with all countries including Bangladesh.

(c) to (e) Trade Review Talks between India and Bangladesh at Commerce Secretary level were held at New Delhi in May 2000. With the intention to develop trade and commerce between the two countries, measures for co-operation in Customs procedures, long term multiple entry visas for businessmen, improvement in infrastructure facilities etc were discussed.