

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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VISIT OF UAE DELEGATION
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a high level delegation of United Arab Emirates (UAE) visited India and held discussions on various economic and cultural issues;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard;
- (c) the details of non oil trade volume between the two countries during 2009-10 as compared to previous year; and
- (d) the details of issues on which both countries have agreed for cooperation?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI S.M. KRISHNA)

(a), (b) & (d) A high level delegation led by His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, UAE Vice President & Prime Minister, Ruler of Dubai paid a working visit to India on March 11, 2010. The visiting dignitary called on Hon'ble Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh.

During the meeting issues of mutual interest to both the countries were discussed including greater collaboration in fighting the menace of terrorism and for enhancing security cooperation. The two leaders also reviewed the state of bilateral relations and agreed to increase cooperation in the area of advanced technologies, security, trade and investments.

(c) In 2008-09 and 2009-10 the non-oil trade between India and UAE was US\$ 48.26 billion and US\$ 43.47 billion respectively.