

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3058
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NEGOTIATIONS FOR FTA
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has consulted Farmer's Organisations and Small Scale Industry Associations with regard to the negotiations for Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with European Union; and

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the names of organisations, meetings held and feedback received in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a) & (b) Public consultations have been held on India's negotiations for a Free Trade Agreements (FTA) with the European Union (EU). These consultations have been open sessions and farmer's organisations, small scale industry associations have attended amongst others. Written feedback has also been received from several organisations. The purpose of these consultations was to obtain feedback on products which are of sensitive nature to India. The feedback received have been considered for drawing up the initial sensitive list of products on which we do not propose to reduce tariffs in the proposed FTA with the EU. This initial sensitive list is still under negotiations with the European Union. The list of places where consultations have been held and the list of some of the organisations that have attended these consultations or have provided written feedback are tabled in the enclosed statement.

Statement containing list of places where consultations on India's negotiations for a Free Trade Agreement with European Union have been held, as mentioned in reply to Lok Sabha question No. 3058 to be answered on 27.7.2009.

S.No.	Date	Venue	Region covered
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| 1. | 24 August 2007 | Patna | Eastern region |
| 2. | 27 August 2007 | Mumbai | Western region |
| 3. | 29 August 2007 | Chennai | Southern region |
| 4. | 31 August 2007 | Bhopal | Central region |
| 5. | 5 September 2007 | Delhi | Northern region |
| 6. | 7 September 2007 | Guwahati | North-eastern region |

7. 29 September 2007 New Delhi

Statement containing list of Organisations which participated or provided written replies, in the consultations on India's negotiations for a Free Trade Agreement with European Union, as mentioned in reply to Lok Sabha question No. 3058 to be answered on 27.7.2009.

S.No. Name of the organisation

1. Matsya Thozhilali Iykya Vedi (TUCI), Ernakulum Kerala
2. Association of Indian Fisheries Industries, Vishakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.
3. Trichy Tanners Association, Trichy
4. Prawn Farmers Federation of India, Chennai
5. Tamilnadu Small and Tiny Industries Association (TANSTIA), Chennai
6. PDCA Palakkad
7. Kerala Consumer Service Society, Kochi
8. The South India Cotton Association, Coimbatore, Tamilnadu
9. The Millowners' Association, Dadar (West), Mumbai
10. Gujarat Co-operative Milk Marketing Federation Limited, Anand, Gujarat
11. Indian Woollen Mills Federation, Mumbai

12. Gujarat State Small Industries Federation, Ahmedabad
13. The All India Association of Industries, Mumbai
14. Indian Oil Seeds and Produce Exporters Association (IOPEA), Mumbai
15. Association of Manufacturers of Petroleum Specialities, Mumbai
16. Indian Machine Tools Manufacturers Association (IMTMA), Gurgaon
17. Federation of Indian Micro and Small & Medium Enterprises (FISME) New Delhi
18. Chemicals & Petrochemicals Manufacturers Association, New Delhi
19. Indian Plasticisers Manufacturers Association, New Delhi
20. Confederation of Indian Textile Industry, New Delhi
21. Sea Food Exporters Association of India (SEAI), Chennai
22. Gujarat State Plastics Manufacturers Association, Mumbai
23. Automotive Tyre Manufacturers Association, New Delhi
24. Electronic Component Industries Association, New Delhi
25. All India Steel Rerollers Association, New Delhi

26. Association of Man-made Fibre Industry of India, Mumbai
27. Indian Sugar Mills Association, New Delhi
28. All India Glass Manufacturers Federation, New Delhi
29. Leather Cloth & Plastic Manufacturers Association, New Delhi
30. All India Carpet Manufacturers Association, Bhadohi, Uttar Pradesh
31. Federation of Madhya Pradesh Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Bhopal
32. Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers, New Delhi
33. Indian Vanaspati Producers Association, New Delhi
34. Federation of Small and Medium Industries, Kolkata
35. Consumer Electronics and Appliances Association, New Delhi
36. Kerala Consumer Service Society, Kochi
37. All India Distillers Association, New Delhi
38. Naba Samaj (NGO), Assam
39. Agricultural Service Association of Assam

40. Sivasagar District Poultry Farmers Association (SDPFA), Assam
41. Dhaligaon Piggery Farm Cooperative Society and Allied Industries Ltd, Assam
42. Aromatic Plants Growers Association of India, Sikkim
43. SEBA (NGO), Assam
44. Oju Welfare Association, Arunachal Pradesh
45. Guwahati Go Palak Sangstha, Assam
46. All Mizoram Farmers Union, Mizoram
47. Manav Sakti Jagran (NGO), Assam
48. All Manipur Poultry Farmers & Traders Association, Manipur
49. North Eastern Poultry & Egg Federation (NEPEF), Assam
50. Raniganj Chamber of Commerce, West Bengal
51. Embroidery and Garment Hi-tech Manufacturing Association, Kolkata
52. Eastern Bihar Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Bhagalpur, Bihar
53. Bihar Garments Manufacturers and Dealers Association,
54. Bihar Industries Association

55. Bihar Chamber of Commerce
56. Institute of Entrepreneurship Development
57. Federation of Associations of Cottage and Small Industries (FACSI), West Bengal
58. Indian Agro & Recycled Paper Mills Association
59. Plastics Export Promotion Council
60. Federation of Indian Plywood & Panel Industry
61. Consumer Electronics and Appliances Manufacturers Association (CEAMA)
62. All India Food Processors` Association
63. Garments Exporters Association
64. Automotive Component Manufacturers Association of India
65. Eastern UP Chamber of Commerce & Industry - Allahabad
66. All India Glass Manufacturers` Federation
67. PHD Chamber of Commerce & Industry
68. Punjab Markfed

69. All India Air-conditioning & Refrigeration Association

70. Essential Oil Association of India

71. Association of Synthetic Fibre Industry

72. Council for Leather Exports

73. Steel Re-rolling Mills` Association of India (SRMA)

74. Maheshtala Garments & Textiles Park Welfare Association

75. Indian Leather Products Association

76. Darjeeling Tea Association

77. Bengal Hosiery Manufacturers Association

78. Bharat Chamber of Commerce

79. Textile Association (India)

80. Gujarat State Plastic Manufacturers Association

81. CHEMEXCIL

82. Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation Ltd (Amul)

83. Gujarat Dyestuff Manufacturers Association

84. Association of Chemical Technologists

85. Gujarat Chamber of Commerce & Industry