GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2833 ANSWERED ON:14.03.2011 FTA WITH EU Ponnam Shri Prabhakar

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

he details regarding FTA proposed to be concluded with EU and the negotiations held in this regard so far?

Answer

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

The Government of India is negotiating a bilateral Broad-based Trade and Investment Agreement with the European Union (EU).

The negotiations commenced in June 2007 covering areas of Trade in Goods, Trade in Services, Investment, Sanitary and Phytosanitary measures, Technical Barriers to Trade, Trade Remedies, Customs Cooperation & Trade Facilitation, Dispute Settlement, Competition and Intellectual Property Rights etc. So far, 12 rounds of negotiations have been held. Negotiations on both Text and Market access issues are ongoing.