GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4441 ANSWERED ON:21.12.2011 GUJARAT CM'S VISIT TO CHINA Reddy Shri Anantha Venkatarami

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any report from the Chief Minister of Gujarat on his recent visit to China; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SMT. PRENEET KAUR)

(a) to (c) The Chief Minister of Gujarat visited China from 8-12 November 2011, at the invitation of the International Department of the Communist Party of China (CPC). The visit was part of the exchange programme between Ministry of External Affairs and the International Department of CPC. Apart from Beijing, the Chief Minister also visited Shanghai and Chengdu. During his visit, he met a member of the Politburo of CPC Central Committee, the Mayor of Beijing and the Party Secretaries of Shanghai and Sichuan. The discussions during the meetings focused on investment opportunities in Gujarat and potential future cooperation between China and Gujarat. The Chief Minister delivered a keynote address at a Business seminar in Beijing attended by representatives of various companies from China and Gujarat. He also interacted with the Indian Community in Shanghai.