

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

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TRADE WITH CENTRAL ASIA

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

- (a) the details of India's trade with Central Asia countries, Myanmar and Czech Republic during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether the trade with these countries is yet to attain its full potential and is lower in comparison to other countries;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has conducted any study/survey in this regard;
- (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the potential areas for trade with these countries as identified by the Government; and
- (f) the steps taken/action plan formulated by the Government to enhance trade with these countries and the outcome thereof?

Answer

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

(a): The India's trade with Central Asian countries (i.e. Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan), Myanmar and Czech Republic during the last three years is as under:-

(figures in US\$ millions)

Name of the 2008-09 2009-10 2010-11
country

Export Import Total Export Import Total Export Import Total

KAZAKHSTAN 131.68 159.03 290.71 136.54 154.91 291.45 167.88 138.42 306.30

KYRGHYZSTAN 22.92 1.03 23.95 26.84 0.64 27.48 22.36 1.20 23.56

TAJIKISTAN 16.71 17.47 34.18 15.71 16.85 32.56 17.77 23.02 40.79

TURKMENISTAN 41.40 12.10 53.50 36.15 10.00 46.15 26.14 9.73 35.87

UZBEKISTAN 45.53 70.74 116.27 54.03 29.97 84.00 59.47 20.63 80.10

MYANMAR 221.64 928.97 1150.60 209.97 1289.80 1497.77 334.42 1017.67 1352.09

CZECH REPUBLIC 183.30 491.87 675.17 177.76 562.45 740.21 208.42 676.78 885.20

(Source: DGCIS, Kolkata)

(b & c): Yes, Madam. The details are given in (a) above and reasons for such level of India's trade varies from country to country and it depends upon country's geographical, political, economic conditions and tariff/non tariff barriers.

(d): No, Madam.

(e) Does not arise.

(f): Government has set-up various bilateral mechanisms such as Inter-Governmental Commission /Joint Commission, Joint Working Group and Joint Trade Committee to enhance trade with these countries.