

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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INDO EU SUMMIT IN NEW DELHI
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Indo-European Union (EU) Summit was held in New Delhi recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the dignitaries participated in the Summit;
- (c) the details of the bilateral and multilateral issues discussed in the meetings and the outcome thereof;
- (d) whether any agreements were signed between India and EU; and
- (e) if so, the salient features thereof, agreement-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (DR. SHASHI THAROOR)

- (a) Yes.
- (b) The Tenth India-European Union Summit was held in New Delhi on 6 November 2009. The Indian delegation was led by Prime Minister, Dr. Manmohan Singh. The EU side was represented by Mr. Fredrik Reinfeldt, Prime Minister of Sweden, in his capacity as President of the Council of the European Union, and Mr. Jose Manuel Durao Barroso, President of the European Commission.
- (c) At the delegation level talks both sides reviewed bilateral relations in the context of the India-EU Strategic Partnership. Both sides also discussed multilateral issues of mutual interest such as international terrorism, climate change, international financial crisis etc. A Joint Statement was also issued.
- (d) & (e) An agreement for cooperation in the field of Fusion Energy Research was signed between Government of India and the European Atomic Community. The Agreement envisages cooperation and research in the field of fusion energy technology.