

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

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INDO- US TRADE POLICY FORUM

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

- (a) whether the sixth ministerial level meeting was recently held under the Indo-US trade policy forum;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the names of the representatives from both the countries; and
- (c) the details of the proposals discussed and the consensus reached, if any thereon?

Answer

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

(a)&(b) Sixth Ministerial meeting of the India-US Trade Policy Forum (TPF) was held at New Delhi on 26th October, 2009. The meeting was co – chaired by Hon. Minister of Commerce and Industry Shri Anand Sharma on the Indian side and United States Trade Representative Ambassador Ronald Kirk on the US side.

(c) During the meeting the two Governments decided to continue their bilateral trade policy dialogue under the five Focus Groups: Agriculture, Innovation and Creativity, Investment, Services and Tariff and Non-Tariff Barriers. The two Governments agreed to work together on a framework for promoting cooperation in trade and investment.