GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4560 ANSWERED ON:22.04.2013 TRADE WITH PAKISTAN Choudhry Smt. Shruti

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

- (a) the details of the total trade including export/import carried out between India and Pakistan during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether Pakistan proposes to switch to negative list for trade with India;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps being taken to solve such issues immediately?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ANAND SHARMA)

a) The details of the total trade between India and Pakistan during last 3 years are given below:

(In US\$ million)
Year Export Import Total Trade
2009-10 1573.32 275.94 1849.26
2010-11 2039.61 332.51 2372.12
2011-12 1534.72 421.85 1956.57
2012-13# 1640.21 487.54 2127.75
(April-Feb)

#Provisional figure, Source: DGCIS, Kolkata

- b)& c) Government of Pakistan has already switched over from 'Positive List' to 'Negative List' approach for trade with India. The 'Negative List' of 1209 items had been notified by Government of Pakistan on 20.03.2012.
- d) Does not arise.