

Expansion of trade areas

3111. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any proposal under consideration to add new areas of trade with the countries having trade relations with India;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the total revenue likely to be generated from expansion of such trade areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) It is a constant endeavour of the Government to enhance trade with our trade partners for mutual benefit. In this context, India has been taking various initiatives like Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreements (CECA), Free Trade Agreements (FTA) Preferential Trade Agreements (PTA) etc. with different countries.

(c) It is not feasible to estimate total revenue to be generated from such expansion.

Delhi - Mumbai Industrial Corridor

†3112. SHRI RAGHUNANDAN SHARMA: Will the MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Railways are contemplating upon a plan to develop Delhi - Mumbai Industrial Corridor, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that Gwalior, Muraina, Guna and Shivpuri districts of Madhya Pradesh are being included in the said plan and whether the Madhya Pradesh Government has agreed to provide basic infrastructure for this purpose; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) The Government of India in the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry has taken up the development of

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