

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:699
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WORLD BANK'S SUGGESTIONS ON TARIFFS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the World Bank has suggested India to cut tariff and remove non-tariff barriers before it enters into free trade agreements with the ASEAN Countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI S. B. MOOKHERJEE)

- (a) No Sir.
- (b) to (c) Does not arise.