

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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INDO-UAE TIES

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and UAE have recently agreed to increase mutual co-operation in various sectors;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any talks have been held in this regard between the two countries;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the outcome thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED)

(a) : Yes.

(b,c,d&e): A number of high level visits have been exchanged in the recent past. Rashtrapati ji visited UAE in October 2003. External Affairs Minister visited in December, 2004. From UAE side, the present Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi had visited India earlier in May 2003. Several visits of Ministers, Chief Ministers, senior Government officials and high level business delegations from India to UAE and of senior Ministers and officials and business personalities of UAE have also been exchanged.

These interactions have resulted in further enhancing our political, commercial, economic, and other aspects of our relations with UAE.