

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

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INDO ASEAN FTA

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

- (a) the details of countries with whom Indian Government has Free Trade Agreement(FTA) ;
- (b) whether the Government has ever assessed its benefit or loss;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, country-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has examined the effect of large number of FTA which are entering or planning to enter into;
- (e) if so, the details thereof, country-wise;
- (f) whether the Government officials attended a meeting with the ASEAN Trade Officials at Jakarta recently to resume negotiations for a proposed Indo-ASEAN FTA;
- g) if so, the views expressed by both sides; and
- h) the outcome thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

a)toe) : The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

f) to h): The fourteenth round of the ASEAN-India Trade Negotiations Committee(TNC) was held in Jakarta between 16-18 November, 2006. During this meeting, both sides discussed various aspects of the proposed ASEAN-India FTA including the proposal for modalities in reduction of tariffs on agreed items.