

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2169
ANSWERED ON:10.03.2010
OPENING OF FEROPUR-HUSSAINWALA BORDER FOR TRADE
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Ferozpur-Hussainwala Border was ever opened for trade earlier;
- (b) if so, the reasons for closing this border;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to open/re-open Ferozpur-Hussainwala International Border for trade; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI S.M. KRISHNA)

- (a) & (b) Yes. The border checkpoint at Hussainiwala in District Ferozepur, Punjab was closed after the 1971 India-Pakistan war.
- (c) No such proposal has been conveyed to Pakistan.
- (d) Does not arise.