GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.855 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2018

ISRAELI PMs VISIT

†855. SHRI LALLU SINGH:

SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL: SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL: SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of recent visit of Israeli Prime Minister to India;
- (b) the names of sectors on which discussions were held and agreements signed between the two countries during the Israeli Prime Minister's visit;
- (c) whether Israel has taken a decision to make investment in certain special sectors in India; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI M. J. AKBAR)

(a) to (d) At the invitation of our Prime Minister, Mr. Benjamin Netanyahu, Prime Minister of Israel visited India from 14-19 January, 2018. He visited Delhi, Agra, Gujarat and Mumbai. He was accompanied by a business delegation of more than 100 members. During the visit, both the sides held extensive discussions on various areas of mutual interest viz. agriculture, water, science & technology, cyber, energy, trade & investment, defence & security and air connectivity. PM Netanyahu paid tribute at the renamed Teen Murti Haifa memorial to the Indian soldiers who had fallen at the Battle of Haifa in 1918. PM Netanyahu participated in the 2nd India-Israel CEO Forum meeting, Business Summit, Raisina Dialogue in New Delhi and visited i-CREATE (International held Centre for Entrepreneurship and Technology) and interactions innovators/Start-up CEOs in Ahmedabad. He also visited Centre of Excellence for fruits and vegetables at Vadrad, Gujarat and jointly inaugurated the Centre of Excellence for Date Palms at Bhuj through video link. During the visit nine MoUs/ Agreements/ Memorandum/ Letters of intent were signed in the fields of cyber, air transport, Film co-production, energy, homeopathy and space.

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