

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 8
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04th FEBRUARY, 2019

INVESTMENT BY UAE AND SAUDI ARABIA FOR FOOD SECURITY

8. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the UAE and Saudi Arabia had decided to use India as a base to address their food security concerns;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it will be similar to a Special Economic Zone keeping a specific UAE market in mind; and
- (d) if so, the details of the plan and outlay in this regard?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सी. आर. चौधरी)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

- (a) to (d): Government of UAE has designated Emaar to pursue a major food security project with India. It envisages establishing logistics and cold storage chains and food processing facilities in MP, Maharashtra and Gujarat with the intention to treble the export of food products from India to UAE from the current level of \$2.2 billion to about \$6-7 billion in three years.

No such formal proposal has been received from Saudi Arabia so far.
