

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4611
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29th MARCH, 2023

TALKS WITH GERMAN CHANCELLOR

4611. SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI:

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

- (a) the details of talks held recently in New Delhi between Indian Prime Minister and German Chancellor;
- (b) whether to boost trade ties, any Free Trade Agreement (FTA) has been signed;
- (c) if so, the progress of discussion for concluding India-European Union FTA; and
- (d) whether any bilateral trade agreement has been signed for strengthening economic trade between the two countries and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती अनुप्रिया पटेल)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

- (a) The leaders discussed the strengthening of economic relations between the two countries. The German Chancellor expressed his support for the India-EU FTA.
- (b) A Free Trade Agreement is being negotiated with the European Union, a trading bloc which Germany is a member of.
- (c) Four rounds of negotiation for FTA between India and European Union have been held so far.
- (d) Question does not arise in view of reply to part (b) of the question above.
