

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 502
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06/12/2023

BORDER HAATS

**502. SHRIMATI SHARDABEN ANILBHAI PATEL:
SHRI MITESH RAMESHBHAI PATEL (BAKABHAI):**

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

- (a) whether the Government is making efforts for promotion of trade through setting up of Border Haats;
- (b) if so, the details of Border Haats along with the status of their operationality, State-wise;
- (c) the details of trade that has taken place through these Border Haats during the last three years, year and State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government is planning to set up new Border Haats; and
- (e) 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) Border haats have been established with the aim to promote the wellbeing of the people dwelling in remote areas across the borders, by establishing traditional system of marketing the local produce through local markets, thereby promoting trade among countries.

(b) Details of sanctioned border haats along with status of their operationality State-wise is mentioned below:

S. No.	Border Haat	State	Status
1	Balat	Meghalaya	Operational
2	Rynku	Meghalaya	Operational
3	Nalikata	Meghalaya	Operational
4	Bholaganj	Meghalaya	Operational

5	Kalaichar	Meghalaya	Operational
6	Shibbari	Meghalaya	Proposed for relocation.
7	Kamlasagar	Tripura	Closed since March 2020 due to Covid-19 pandemic.
8	Srinagar	Tripura	Operational
9	Kamalpur	Tripura	The project is expected to be complete by January, 2024.
10	Raghna (Palbasti)	Tripura	Ready for Foundation Stone laying Ceremony.

(c) details of the trade through functional Border Haats during last three years, year-wise, State-wise is given below:

Sl.	Name of the Border Haat	F.Y. wise Trade Volume (Rs. in Lakh)		
		2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Meghalaya				
1	Balat	Closed due to Covid restrictions. Reopened on 26.4.2022.		957.00
2	Ryngku	Inaugurated in March 2021 Closed due to Covid restrictions. Reopened on 12.05.2022.		187.00
3	Kalaichar	Closed due to Covid restrictions. Reopened on 30.11.2022.		201.07
4	Nalikata	Closed due to Covid restrictions. Reopened on 23.05.2023.		
5	Bholaganj	Closed due to Covid restrictions. Reopened on 06.05.2023.		
Tripura				
1	Srinagar	Closed due to Covid. Reopened on 09.05.2023		
2	Kamalasagar	Closed due to Covid since March 2020		

Source: State Governments of Tripura and Meghalaya

(d) & (e) During the second meeting of Joint Committee on Border Haats, the following six new Border Haats have been identified;

S. No.	Indian side	Bangladesh side
1	Kilapara, Dalu (West Garo Hills District, Meghalaya, Border Pillar (1113/5S))	Nakugaon (Nalitabari Upazilla, Sherpur District)
2	Huroi (East Jaintia Hills District, Meghalaya, Border Pillar 1315)	Sonatanpunji (Kanaighat Upazilla, Sylhet District)
3	Ghoshkhamar (Belonia Subdivision) Or Radhanagar (Belonia Subdivision, Tripura)	Jagatrapur (ChauddogramUpazillaCumilla District) Or Boidhyerkhil (ChauddogramUpazilla, Cumilla District)
4	Belcherra (Khowai Subdivision, Khowai District, Tripura)	Nolua Tea Mauja (ChunarughatUpazilla, Habiganj District)
5	Latu (Karimganj District, Assam, Border Pillar 1363-1364)	Muria (Biyani bazarUpazilla, Sylhet District)
6	Satrasal (Dhubri District, Assam, Border Pillar 1001-1003)	Char Bhurungamari (BhurungamariUpazilla, Kurigram District)
