GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 3111 ANSWERED ON – 09/08/2024

REOPENING OF ATTARI-WAGAH BORDER

3111. SHRI GURJEET SINGH AUJLA:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state: पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्री

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to reopen the Attari-Wagah trade border for business activities;

(b) if so, the proposed timeline for the reopening along with the preparations being made to facilitate this;

(c) the measures that will be implemented to ensure smooth and efficient trade operations at the Attari-Wagah border;

(d) whether the Government plans to address the concerns of businesses and traders who have been affected by the prolonged closure of the border; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to enhance the infrastructure and security at the Attari-Wagah border to support increased trade activities?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS (SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

(a) to (e) In August 2019, Pakistan took a series of measures to downgrade bilateral relations with India, including the suspension of bilateral trade. The onus of resumption of bilateral trade lies with the Government of Pakistan.
