GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 3075

ANSWERED ON- 13/12/2024

TRADE OFFICERS IN INDIAN EMBASSIES

3075. SHRI GODAM NAGESH

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether the Government has data of the detailed list of Trade

 Officers currently attached to Indian Embassies in United States,

 European Union, Japan, Poland, China, Germany, Netherlands,

 Austria and Hungary;
- (b) if so, the details of trade Officers in the said countries, their officials work and contact details;
- (c) the accountability mechanisms put in place in case trade officers failed to respond within prescribed time lines, provide adequate support to Indian exporters and demonstrate proactive export promotion strategies etc.;

- (d) the reasons for not making contact details of these critical trade facilitation officers publicly accessible to entrepreneurs, traders, and business citizens of India; and
- (e) whether the Government is considering creating a centralized, transparent digital platform listing all Trade Officers' contact details to enhance ease of doing business and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA)

- (a) Yes, the Commercial Representative designated by Head of Mission/Head of Post in the Indian Missions/Posts abroad looks after trade related work.
- (b) Details enclosed as Annexure I.
- (c) Commercial Representatives posted in Indian Missions/Posts abroad are entrusted with the responsibility of promptly addressing trade queries, following up on trade, technology, tourism & investment-related matters, and extending support to Indian businesses with interest in the markets concerned. The Head of Mission/Post regularly evaluates the performance of the Commercial

Section, including their responsiveness and effectiveness in pursuing these tasks.

- (d) Does not arise.
- (e) The official website of the Ministry of External Affairs provides links to the websites of all Indian Missions/Posts abroad which include the contact details of the respective Commercial Representatives.

Annexure-I

<u>List of Commercial Representatives at Missions/Posts abroad as on date</u>

s.	Country/	Mission/	Address	Name	Designation	Phone No.	Email ID
No.	HQ	Post					
1	USA	Embassy of	Embassy of India,	Dr. Ajay Kumar	Minister	+1-202-939-	mincom.washington
		India	Washington		(Commerce)	7000	@mea.gov.in
		Washington	2107, Massachusetts				
			Avenue NW			+1-202-	
			Washington DC 20008			7974693	com3.washington@
							mea.gov.in
2	European	Embassy of	Embassy of India to		First		
	Union	India	Belgium, Luxembourg		Secretary		

		Brussels	and the European Union	Mr. Pankaj Pukhan	(Commerce)		sseu.brussels@mea.
			Chaussée de Vieurgat 217, 1050 Bruxelles			+32 02-645 1853	
3	Japan	Embassy of India Tokyo	Embassy of India, 2-2- 11, Kudan-Minami, Chiyoda- Ku, Tokyo, Japan- 102 0074	Mr. Karun Bansal	Counsellor (Commercial)	+81 80 3214 4729	fstrade.tokyo@mea. gov.in
4	Poland	Embassy of India Warsaw	Embasy of India, Warswa, 2 Mysliwiecka Street, Warsaw 00-459, Poland	Mr. Mohan Lal	Counsellor (Commerce)	+48 22 540 00 06 +48 606700103	hoc.warsaw@mea.g ov.in

5	China	Embassy of	Embassy of India,	Dr. Gautam Kumar	First	+86-10-	ccom.beijing@mea.g
		India	Beijing, No.5, Liang Ma	Pandey	Secretary	8531	ov.in
		Beijing	Qiao Bei Jie, Chaoyang		(Trade and	2500/2501/	
			District, Beijing		Commerce)	2502/2503	
			100600 China				
6	Germany	Embassy of	Embassy of India,	Dr. Dinesh Antil	First	+49-30-	com.berlin@mea.gov
		India	Berlin,		Secretary	25792742	<u>.in</u>
		Berlin	Tiergartenstraße 17,		(ITOU,		
			10785 Berlin, Germany		Economic		
					and		
					Commerce)		

7	Netherlan	Embassy of	Embassy of India, The	Mr. Satya Pinisetty	First	+31-	trade.thehague@me
	ds	India	Hague, Buitenrustweg		Secretary	703457771	a.gov.in
		The Hague	2,		(Economic		
			2517 KD The Hague,		and		
			The Netherlands		Commerce)		
			The Health and				
8	Austria	Embassy of	Embassy of India,	Ms. Nidhi Dhiman	First	+43	
		India	Vienna,		Secretary	9006375;	comm.vienna@mea.
		Vienna	Kärntner Ring 2		(Economic		gov.in
			1010 Vienna, Austria		and		
					Commerce)		
9	Hungary	Embassy of	Embassy of India,	Mr. Rajeev Kumar	Second	+36132575	hoc.budapest@mea.
		India	Budapest, 1025		Secretary		

Budapest	Budapest, Buzavirag	(Commercial,	67	gov.in
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