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

### LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. \*61 ANSWERED ON 07/02/2024

#### TRADE WITH PAKISTAN

#### \*61. SHRI JASBIR SINGH GILL:

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

- (a) the sea ports or land borders through which trade is being carried with Pakistan at present;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to start trade with Pakistan from Wagah border and Khalra border; and
- (c) if so, the details in this regard?

#### **ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)

# THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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# STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY OF PART (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 61 FOR ANSWER ON 7<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY, 2024 REGARDING "TRADE WITH PAKISTAN"

(a) to (c) In August, 2019, Pakistan took a number of measures to downgrade the bilateral relations with India. One of the decisions was to unilaterally suspend the bilateral trade with India. However, export of only therapeutic products has been allowed vide Ministry of Commerce & Textile, Government of Pakistan's SRO No. 977 (i)/2019 dated 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2019. Though, no specific route has been mentioned in SRO (Statutory regulatory order) of Pakistan, normally, Atari-Wagah border and Karachi Port are the two major trade routes between India and Pakistan. The onus of resumption of bilateral trade lies with the Government of Pakistan.

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