



Union Minister of Commerce and Industry Shri Piyush Goyal holds high level dialogue with European Union's Commissioner for Trade and Economic Security Mr. Maroš Šefčovič

Talks seek to expedite conclusion of India-EU FTA and deepen trade relationship

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The Union Minister of Commerce and Industry, Shri Piyush Goyal, held discussions with H.E Maroš Šefčovič, European Union's Commissioner for Trade and Economic Security during 8-9 December 2025. The discussions were aimed at providing strategic guidance to the FTA negotiating teams as both sides work towards concluding the agreement at the earliest.

The visit takes place against the backdrop of the technical discussions held from 3-9 December 2025 in New Delhi across key chapters of India-EU FTA covering Market Access for Goods, Rules of Origin, Services, Technical Barriers to Trade, Trade and Sustainable Development etc. The visit of the European Union's Commissioner for Trade and Economic Security was preceded by high-level discussions between Commerce Secretary and Director-General Trade, European Commission in New Delhi on 7th December 2025, emphasizing the shared commitment to intensify dialogue and collaboration, with a focused determination to advance the negotiations towards a timely and mutually beneficial conclusion.

During their engagement, Union Minister Shri. Piyush Goyal and the EU Trade Commissioner Šefčovič carried out detailed deliberations across key areas of the proposed agreement. Both sides took note of the steady progress achieved across various negotiating tracks and agreed on the need to sustain the current momentum through continued exchanges.

Both sides emphasized the strategic importance of concluding a fair, balanced, and ambitious agreement that aligns with their shared values, economic priorities, and commitment to a rules-based trading framework. The Ministerial-level discussions reaffirmed the strong political resolve on either side to address pending issues through constructive engagement and to work towards a comprehensive, mutually advantageous outcome.

Commissioner Šefčovič's visit to New Delhi represented a significant milestone in the ongoing India-EU trade dialogue, further underscoring India's position as a reliable partner for the European Union in advancing diversified, resilient, and future-oriented economic cooperation. Anchored in the shared principles of prosperity, sustainability, and innovation, the visit concluded with both parties expressing confidence and a renewed determination to intensify efforts toward the early conclusion of a modern, comprehensive, and mutually beneficial agreement.

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