



2 UK-India Free Trade Agreement: Consultation Questionnaire

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Overview

Following the Prime Minister's announcement in May 2021 of the UK's intent to negotiate a comprehensive Free Trade Agreement with India, we are preparing for this negotiation. This is now possible because Britain has left the EU and is free to negotiate a new generation of deals that make it easier for businesses to trade and deliver benefits to the whole of the UK. We are seeking input from members of the public, businesses, and any other interested parties to hear their top priorities for a future trade deal with India and where they think the biggest gains from such a deal may lie.

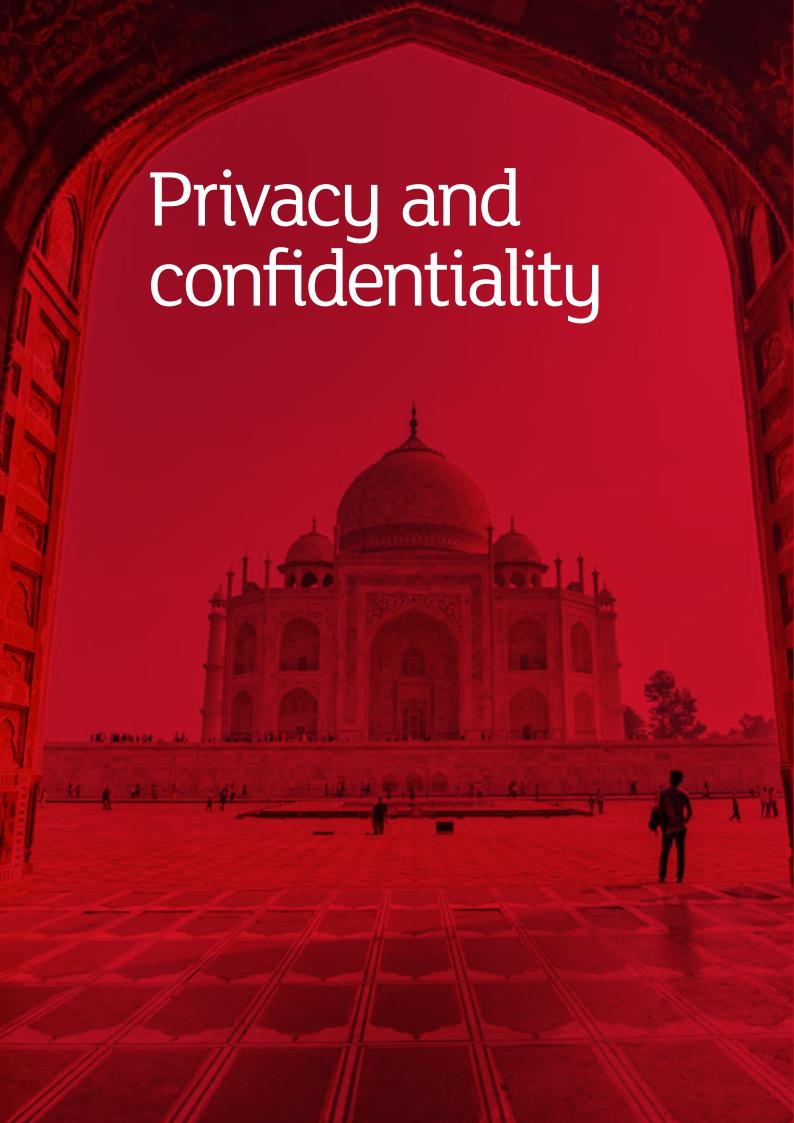
Whilst UK businesses currently benefit from a strong and long-standing trading relationship with India, this has been made even stronger through the recent launch of our Enhanced Trade Partnership. This Partnership provides the framework for the UK and India to enhance and deepen our bilateral trade. A Free Trade Agreement is a major pillar of this, allowing us to explore opportunities such as:

 Making it easier for businesses to export and import by removing and lowering tariffs in high priority sectors such as food and drink, healthcare and life sciences and advanced manufacturing.

- Promoting investment flows by attracting Indian investment, by making the UK an attractive destination for Indian companies looking to grow in globalised economies, and encouraging further UK investment in India.
- Enabling UK providers of professional services to work and sell services in India
- Improving trade conditions in order to boost trade flows between the two countries such as by leverage assets including intellectual property, and maximising potential in procurement and digital trade.
- Aligning our shared values to meet global challenges such as climate change and ensuring sustainability powers the strengthening of the rules-based international trading system.

Stronger trade links with India will support broader foreign policy interests in the Indo-Pacific region and will pave the way for a deepening partnership between the UK and India, whilst helping shape the global trade agenda in areas like digital trade, women's economic empowerment and gender equality, the environment and climate change.

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Purpose

The Government is committed to an ambitious, transparent, and inclusive UK trade policy that takes account of the views of all sectors of society and international stakeholders, including the general public, devolved administrations and the regions, businesses, civil society groups, consumers, associations and any other interested stakeholders.

The Government is therefore running a Consultation on future trade negotiations between the UK and India which will last for 14 weeks.

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- Designing an effective trade agreement.
- Ensuring that the UK's policy with regards to negotiations captures the views of its stakeholders.

 Enabling DIT and other Government
Departments to follow up on the points raised in the Consultation.

Your Data

Mandatory Information to be collected as part of the Call for Input:

- Name (first name and surname)
- Email Address
- Internet Protocol address (IP address)
- Name of Organisation / Business / Organisation you represent, if any

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- It is needed for the purposes set out in this document
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Email: data.protection@trade.gov.uk

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Q.1 Do you consent for the voluntary information you provide in this Consultation to be used as part of the Government's published Consultation response?

If you answered 'No' to the previous question, please answer the question below:

Please provide a reason as to why you do not give your consent for your response to be used as part of the government published Call for Input response.

a)

Q.2 Do you consent for the Department for International Trade, or organisations working on their behalf, to contact you regarding the responses they have given?

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Please limit your response to 100 characters or approximately 20 words

Please provide your first name and surname:

This information is mandatory, please see the privacy and confidentiality statement above for reasons why this information is needed.

Q.4 What is your email address?

By entering your email address you will automatically receive an acknowledgement email when you submit your response.

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Part 1 - Identifying the respondent

Q.1 Please tell us who you are responding as?

- a) An individual You are responding with your personal views, rather than as an official representative of a business / business association / other organisation
- b) Non-governmental organisation In an official capacity as the representative of a non-governmental organisation / academic institution / other organisation
- c) Business In an official capacity with the views of an individual business
- d) Business association In an official capacity representing the views of a business organisation
- e) Public sector body In an official capacity as a representative of a devolved administration / local government organisation / public service provider / other public sector body in the UK or elsewhere

Part 2a -Individuals

Q.1 Are you a member, supporter or donor of an organisation with an interest in international trade?

Q.2 Has that organisation contacted you about UK trade talks or a possible free trade agreement between the UK and India?

Q.3 Please list the organisation's name below:

a)

b) Prefer not to say

Q.4 Which of these areas of a free trade agreement best describe your priorities?

The options below are structured around the typical content of a free trade agreement.

For more information on these areas, please see the detail included at the gov.uk consultation page.

- a) Tariffs
- b) Rules of Origin
- c) Customs Procedures
- d) Product Standards, Regulation and Certification
- e) Good Regulatory Practices and Good Governance
- f) Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPS)
- g) Services
- h) Financial services
- i) Digital
- j) Telecoms
- k) Innovation
- I) Competition Policy, Subsidies and State Owned Enterprises (SOEs)
- m) Government Procurement
- n) Intellectual Property

- o) International Development
- p) Investment
- q) Labour Standards
- r) Gender Equality/Women's Economic Empowerment
- s) Environment and Climate Change
- t) Trade Remedies
- u) Dispute Settlement
- v) Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SME) Policy
- w) Recognition of Professional and/or Academic Qualifications
- x) Other e.g. anti-corruption, workforce development, human rights etc.
- y) None of these
- z) Don't know

Q.5 Based on the priority areas you have outlined above, what would you want the UK government to achieve through a free trade agreement (or related trade talks) with India, and why? Please provide details below and be as specific as possible.

a)

b) Don't know

Q.6 Using the same list, please select your top three priorities for a future free trade agreement (or related trade talks) with India.

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- b) Rules of Origin
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- x) Other e.g. anti-corruption, workforce development, human rights etc.
- y) None of these
- z) Don't know

Q.7 Of the three priorities you have selected, which one is the most important and why? Please provide details below and be as specific as possible.

Q.8 What would your concerns about a trade agreement (or related talks) with India be?

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Please select all that apply.

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- w) Recognition of Professional and/or Academic Qualifications
- x) Other e.g. anti-corruption, workforce development, human rights etc.
- y) None of these
- z) Don't know

Q.9 Of the three priorities you have selected, which one is the most important and why? Please provide details below and be as specific as possible.

Q.10 Have you faced, or are currently facing, challenges when attempting to trade or invest between the UK and India?

These may or may not be issues related to tariffs.

Q.11 Were these challenges at the national level (union) or state/union territorial level?

Please select all that apply.

- a) National/Union
- b) State Level
- c) Ports/Customs
- d) Don't know

Q.12 Please provide the name of the Indian state and the exact location where you faced issues when attempting to trade or invest.

b) Don't know

Q.13 Is the cause of these difficulties linked to any of the following?

- a) Information availability
- b) Rules of trade
- c) Customs procedures
- d) Fees and charges imposed on imports and exports
- e) Administrative burden
- f) Tendering and procurement rules
- g) Contract fulfilment
- h) Production processes (e.g. testing, packaging)
- i) Shipments processes (e.g. pre-shipment inspection)
- j) Onward distribution
- k) Competition rules (e.g. merger control)
- I) State support for competitors
- m) Import restrictions
- n) Legal / intellectual property requirements
- o) Data protection / data localisation
- p) Communication
- q) Recognition of professional and/or academic qualifications
- r) Other
- s) None of these
- t) Don't know

Q.14 Please provide as much detail of these difficulties as possible including how significant they were in terms of impact

(e.g. did you stop trading with India as a result? Or did it increase costs to trade? etc).

Q.16 What, if any, recommendations would you make to the Government to do about the issues you have outlined above?

Q.15 Which one of the challenges that you have outlined above was the most significant in terms of impact on your trade or investment between the UK and India?

Q.17 Do you currently face any issues with accessing relevant information when trading between the UK and India (e.g. necessary compliance information, accessing relevant essential documents)?

a) Yes please provide details below and be as specific as possible.

- b) Don't know
- c) Not applicable

Q.18 What is driving most of your costs when trading with India?

Please think particularly about any costs you experience due to issues other than tariffs, for example regulations or customs requirements. Please list the top three costs if possible.

a)

Q.20 Is there anything else that you would want to say about the UK's future trade relationship with India?

a)

b) No

- b) Don't know
- c) Not applicable

Q.19 Are there any provisions that would help ensure women can fully access the benefits of trading opportunities between the UK and India?

a)

Q.21 Where do you currently live (your main address)?

a)

- b) Other, please enter your country below:
- c) Prefer not to say

Q.22 If you stated that you live [in one of the Crown Dependencies / in a UK Overseas Territories]. In which [Crown Dependency / UK Overseas Territory] do you currently live (your main address)?

- a) The Crown Dependencies:
- b) UK Overseas Territories

b) Not applicable

Q.23 What was your age at your last birthday?

- a) 16-17
- b) 18-24
- c) 25-34
- d) 35-44
- e) 45-54
- f) 55-64
- g) 65+
- h) Prefer not to say

Q.26 What is your ethnicity?

- a) White / White British
- b) Mixed / multiple ethnic groups
- c) Asian / Asian British
- d) Black / African / Caribbean / Black British
- e) Other
- f) Prefer not to say

Q.24 What is your sex?

(a question about gender identity will follow later on in the questionnaire)

- a)
- b) Other
 - c) Prefer not to say

Q.25 Is the gender you identify with the same as your sex registered at birth?

This question is voluntary.

- a) Yes
- **b)** No, please write in gender identity:
- c) Prefer not to say

Part 2b - Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs)

Q.1 What is the name of the organisation (e.g. trade union, interest group, charity or academic institution) you are responding on behalf of?

This information is mandatory, please see the privacy and confidentiality statement <here> for reasons why this information is needed.

Q.2 Which area does your organisation represent?

Please select all that apply.

- a) Education
- b) Health
- c) Labour / Workers Rights
- d) Human Rights
- e) Religious interests / groups
- f) International Development
- g) Food and Drink
- h) Environment and Climate Change
- i) Animals
- j) Farmers
- k) Consumers
- I) Product Regulation / Safety
- m) Manufacturing
- n) Transport
- o) Science / Technology
- p) Digital / Technology

- q) Broadcasting / Entertainment
- r) Financial / Business Services
- s) Defence / Security
- t) Academic institution
- u) Other
- v) Prefer not to say

Please describe the purpose and nature of your organisations (membership, representative organisation, etc).

Q.3 Which of these areas of a free trade agreement best describe your priorities?

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- c) Customs Procedures
- d) Product Standards, Regulation and Certification
- e) Good Regulatory Practices and Good Governance
- f) Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPS)
- g) Services
- h) Financial services
- i) Digital
- j) Telecoms
- k) Innovation
- I) Competition Policy, Subsidies and State Owned Enterprises (SOEs)
- m) Government Procurement
- n) Intellectual Property
- o) International Development
- p) Investment
- q) Labour Standards
- r) Gender Equality/Women's Economic Empowerment
- s) Environment and Climate Change
- t) Trade Remedies
- u) Dispute Settlement
- v) Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SME) Policy
- w) Recognition of Professional and/or Academic Qualifications
- x) Other e.g. anti-corruption, workforce development, human rights etc.
- y) None of these
- z) Don't know

Q.4 Based on the priority areas you have outlined above, please provide information on the importance of these issues to your organisation/members.

Q.5 Using the same list, please select your top three priorities for a future free trade agreement (or related trade talks) with India.

- a) Tariffs
- b) Rules of Origin
- c) Customs Procedures
- d) Product Standards, Regulation and Certification
- e) Good Regulatory Practices and Good Governance
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- x) Other e.g. anti-corruption, workforce development, human rights etc.
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- z) Don't know

.6 Using the text box, please explain why these are your top priorities.	
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Q.8 Have you faced, or are currently facing, challenges when attempting to trade or invest between the UK and India.

These may or may not be issues related to tariffs.

Q.9 Are these challenges at the national level (union) or state level?

- a) National/union
- b) State/regional
- c) Don't know

Q.10 Please provide the name of the Indian state and the exact location where you faced issues when attempting to trade or invest.

Q.12 Please provide as much detail of these difficulties as possible including how significant they were in terms of impact

(e.g. did you stop trading with India as a result? Or did it increase costs to trade? etc).

Q.11 Is the cause of these difficulties linked to any of the following?

- a) Information availability
- b) Rules of trade
- c) Customs procedures
- d) Fees and charges imposed on imports and exports
- e) Administrative burden
- f) Tendering and procurement rules
- g) Contract fulfilment
- h) Production processes (e.g. testing, packaging)
- i) Shipments processes (e.g. pre-shipment inspection)
- j) Onward distribution
- k) Competition rules (e.g. merger control)
- I) State support for competitors
- m) Import restrictions
- n) Legal / intellectual property requirements
- o) Data protection / data localisation
- p) Communication
- q) Recognition of professional and/or academic qualifications
- r) Other
- s) None of these
- t) Don't know

Q.13 Which one of the challenges that you have outlined above was the most significant in terms of impact on your trade or investment between the UK and India? Q.14 What, if any, recommendations would you make to the Government to do about the issues you have outlined above?

Q.17 If you stated that your organisation primarily based [in one of the Crown Dependencies / in a UK Overseas Territories]. In which [Crown Dependency / UK Overseas Territory] your organisation is currently based (your main address)?

- a) The Crown Dependencies:
- b) UK Overseas Territories

b) Prefer not to say

Q.18 Does your organisation have a presence in, or operate in, India?

Q.15 Have any of your members been in contact with your organisation about the prospect of a free trade agreement (or related trade talks) with India?

Q.19 Please indicate the location where your organisation is based and briefly explain the extent of your organisation's presence and/or operations in India.

a)

Q.16 Where is your organisation primarily based?

a)

- b) Other, please enter your country below:
- c) Prefer not to say

Part 3C -Businesses

Q.3 Is your business a subsidiary of a company whose headquarters are based outside the UK?

Q.1 What is the name of your business?

Q.4 In which country is your parent company's headquarters based?

a

This information is mandatory, please see the privacy and confidentiality statement <here> for reasons why this information is needed.

b) Prefer not to say

Q.2 What is your Company Number with Companies House?

If you are content to enter this number, we will be able to link your information to our records management and ensure the relevant government officials will be aware of your concerns and priorities. Q.5 Does your organisation have a presence in, or operate in, India?

a)

- b) Don't know
- c) Prefer not to say
- d) Not applicable

Q.6 In which sector does your business predominately operate in the UK?

Please select all that apply.

Agriculture

- a) Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing
- b) Other agriculture

Energy and mining

- c) Energy production and distribution (conventional)
- d) Energy production and distribution (renewable)
- e) Mining and extraction
- f) Other energy and mining

Manufacturing

- g) Aerospace
- h) Automotive
- i) Chemicals
- j) Clothing and Textiles
- k) Food, Beverages and Tobacco
- I) ICT and Electronics
- m) Machinery and equipment
- n) Metal products
- o) Pharmaceuticals
- p) Med-Tech
- q) Wood, Paper and Printing
- r) Other manufacturing

Financial Services

- s) Asset Management
- t) Banking
- u) Insurance
- v) Market infrastructure
- w) Other financial services

Construction services

x) Construction services

Business services

- y) Architecture
- z) Audit or accountancy
- aa) Legal services
- bb) Real estate
- cc) Other business services

Broadcasting, creative and digital sectors

- dd) Broadcasting
- ee) Creative industry
- ff) Digital and information technology
- gg) Telecommunications
- hh) Other broadcasting, creative and digital sector

Transport, storage and distribution services

- ii) Air transport
- jj) Storage and distribution
- kk) Water transport
- II) Other transport

Public services

- mm) Education
- nn) Health and social care
- oo) Other public services

Retail and hospitality

- pp) Hotels and restaurants
- qq) Retail
- rr) Other retail and hospitality
- ss) Other
- tt) Prefer not to say

Q.7 Do you source any inputs, such as parts, labour or information, from India which feed into your business?

a)

This next question is about whether you self-identify as a business producing and trading in goods or services related to the environment and a low carbon economy. In particular, whether or not your business focuses on the production or trade of environment goods and services which, for example, can help meet environmental or climate protection goals

b) No

c) Don't know

Q.8 Which of the following does your business have a significant focus on?

- a) Environmental goods
- b) Environmental services
- c) Both environmental goods and services
- d) Neither
- e) Prefer not to say

This next set of questions asks about your business' exporting, importing and investment behaviours.

Q.9 Which of the following has your business done or tried to do outside of the EU in the last 12 months?

Please select one answer per row by marking the relevant box.

	Yes, my business has done this	Tried but was not successful	No, have not tried to do this	Don't know	Prefer not to say
Exported/sold a product or delivered a service					
Imported a product or used a service from outside the EU					
Invested in outside the EU					
Received investment from outside the EU					

This next set of questions asks about your business' exporting, importing and investment behaviours.

Q.10 Which of the following has your business done or tried to do with India in the last 12 months?

Please select one answer per row by marking the relevant box.

	Yes, my business has done this	Tried but was not successful	No, have not tried to do this	Don't know	Prefer not to say
Exported/sold a product or delivered a service					
Imported a product or used a service from India					
Invested in India					
Received investment from India					

Q.11 You said you have (or have attempted to) do business in India in the last 12 months. Was this business conducted with the Indian Government?

Q.13 Please tell us where exactly in India this business was conducted?

a)

Q.12 Was this at a union or state level?

[please click here for a definition of these options]

- a) Union
- b) State

b) Don't know

Q.14 Did you get assistance from the UK Government in any form?

- a) Yes
- b) No I was not aware of the assistance offered or how to access it
- c) No I was aware of the assistance offered but did not use it
- d) Don't know
- e) Prefer not to say

Q.15 You said you have not tried to do any of the following activities with India or outside the EU in the last 12 months, are any of these something that you would like to do in the future?

Please select one answer per row by marking the relevant box.

	Yes, I would consider in the future	No, I would not consider in the future	Don't know	Prefer not to say
Export outside the EU				
Import from outside the EU				
Invest outside the EU				
Receive investment from outside the EU				
Export to India				
Import from India				
Invest in India				
Receive investment from India				

Q.16 Have you faced, or are currently facing, challenges when attempting to trade or invest between the UK and India?

Q.18 Please provide the name of the Indian state and the exact location where you faced issues when attempting to trade or invest.

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Q.17 Are these challenges at the national level (union) or state level?

- a) National/union
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Q.19 Is the cause of these difficulties linked to any of the following?

Please select all that apply.

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- I) State support for competitors
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- n) Legal / intellectual property requirements
- o) Data protection / data localisation
- p) Communication
- q) Recognition of professional and/or academic qualifications
- r) Other

Q.20 Please provide as much detail of these difficulties as possible including how significant they were in terms of impact

(e.g. did you stop trading with India as a result? Or did it increase your costs to trade?).

Q.21 Which one of the challenges that you have outlined above was the most significant in terms of impact on your trading or investing between the UK and India?

Q.22 What, if anything, would you like the Government to do about the issues you have outlined above?

- s) None of these
- t) Don't know

Q.23 Do you currently face any issues with accessing all relevant information when trading between the UK and India (e.g. necessary compliance information, accessing relevant essential documents)?

If so, please provide details below and be as specific as possible.

a) Yes

- Q.25 Have you faced, or are currently facing, any business environment issues and challenges in relation to Indian laws and regulations relating to trade and business? If so, please describe
- a

- b) Don't know
- c) Not applicable

Q.24 What is driving most of your costs when trading with India?

a)

- b) Don't know
- c) Not applicable

b) No challenges faced

Q.26 What existing government or business association-led initiatives, if any, have you used when doing business with India? For example, prosperity programmes or other aid funded, existing agreements on recognition of professional qualifications or regulation.

a)

- b) I am not aware of any existing initiatives that we have used.
- c) I do not do business in India currently.

Q.27 How do you expect your business to respond to a UK - India FTA?

Please select all that apply.

- a) Begin exporting to India
- b) Begin importing from India
- c) Increase its export to India
- d) Increase its imports from India
- e) Begin investing in India
- f) Increase its investment in India
- g) Look to attract investment from India
- h) Increase output and / or expand operations)
- i) Hire more workers in the UK
- j) Hire more workers in India
- k) No response/nothing
- I) Anything else?

Q.28 Would your answer to the question above change if the UK - India FTA only addressed tariffs (i.e. not including areas such as trade in services, investment, recognition of professional and/or academic qualifications etc)?

a) Yes (Please provide details)

- b) No
- c) Don't know

Q.29 Which of these areas of a free trade agreement best describe your priorities?

The options below are structured around the typical content of a free trade agreement.

For more information on these areas, please see the detail included at the gov.uk consultation page.

- a) Tariffs
- b) Rules of Origin
- c) Customs Procedures
- d) Product Standards, Regulation and Certification
- e) Good Regulatory Practices and Good Governance
- f) Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPS)
- g) Services
- h) Financial services
- i) Digital
- j) Telecoms
- k) Innovation
- I) Competition Policy, Subsidies and State Owned Enterprises (SOEs)
- m) Government Procurement
- n) Intellectual Property
- o) International Development
- p) Investment
- q) Labour Standards
- r) Gender Equality/Women's Economic Empowerment
- s) Environment and Climate Change
- t) Trade Remedies
- u) Dispute Settlement
- v) Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SME) Policy
- w) Recognition of Professional and/or Academic Qualifications
- x) Other e.g. anti-corruption, workforce development, human rights etc.
- y) None of these
- z) Don't know

Q.30 Based on the priority areas you have outlined above, please provide information on the importance of these issues to your organisation/members.

Q.31 Using the same list, please select your top three priorities for a future free trade agreement (or related trade talks) with India.

For more information on these areas, please see the detail included at the gov.uk consultation page.

Please select all that apply.

- a) Tariffs
- b) Rules of Origin
- c) Customs Procedures
- d) Product Standards, Regulation and Certification
- e) Good Regulatory Practices and Good Governance
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- p) Investment
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- r) Gender Equality/Women's Economic Empowerment
- s) Environment and Climate Change
- t) Trade Remedies
- u) Dispute Settlement

- v) Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SME) Policy
- w) Recognition of Professional and/or Academic Qualifications
- x) Other e.g. anti-corruption, workforce development, human rights etc.
- y) None of these
- z) Don't know

Q.32 Using the text box, please explain why these are your top priorities.

Q.33 Of the three priorities you have selected, which one is the most important and why? Please provide details below and be as specific as possible.

Q.34 Are there any provisions that would help ensure women can fully access the benefits of trading opportunities between the UK and India?

a)

b) Not applicable

Q.35 Do you have experience trading in innovative products between India and the UK?

a) Yes (please describe the nature of products)

Q.36 Is there anything else that you would want to say about the UK's future trade relationship with India?

a)

b) No

Q.37 Do you consider yourself either a women-owned or women-led firm/business?

Q.38 Where is your organisation primarily based?

a)

b) Other, please enter your country below:

b) No

c) Prefer not to say

Q.39 If you stated that your organisation primarily based [in one of the Crown Dependencies / in a UK Overseas Territories]. In which [Crown Dependency / UK Overseas Territory] your organisation is currently based (your main address)?

- a) The Crown Dependencies:
- b) UK Overseas Territories

Q.40 Approximately how many employees are currently on your businesses' payroll in the UK across all sites?

- a) 0 (self-employed with no employees)
- b) 1 to 9 employees
- c) 10 to 49 employees
- d) 50 to 99 employees
- e) 100 to 249 employees
- f) 250 to 499 employees
- g) 500 to 4,999 employees
- h) 5,000 or more employees
- i) Don't know
- j) Prefer not to say

Q.41 Does your business currently employ people in India?

Q.42 Approximately how many employees are currently on your business's payroll in India across all sites?

- a) 0 (self-employed with no employees)
- b) 1 to 9 employees
- c) 10 to 49 employees
- d) 50 to 99 employees
- e) 100 to 249 employees
- f) 250 to 499 employees
- g) 500 to 4,999 employees
- h) 5,000 or more employees
- i) Don't know
- j) Prefer not to say

Part 3d -Trade Associations

Q.1 What is the name of the trade association or business representative organisation you are responding on behalf of?

Q.2 Which business area does your organisation represent?

Please select all that apply.

Agriculture

- a) Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing
- b) Other agriculture

Energy and mining

- c) Energy production and distribution (conventional)
- d) Energy production and distribution (renewable)
- e) Mining and extraction
- f) Other energy and mining

Manufacturing

- g) Aerospace
- h) Automotive
- i) Chemicals
- j) Clothing and Textiles
- k) Food, Beverages and Tobacco
- I) ICT and Electronics
- m) Machinery and equipment
- n) Metal products
- o) Pharmaceuticals
- p) Med-Tech
- q) Wood, Paper and Printing
- r) Other manufacturing

Financial Services

- s) Asset Management
- t) Banking
- u) Insurance
- v) Market infrastructure
- w) Other financial services

Construction services

x) Construction services

Business services

- y) Architecture
- z) Audit or accountancy
- aa) Legal services
- bb) Real estate
- cc) Other business services

Broadcasting, creative and digital sectors

- dd) Broadcasting
- ee) Creative industry
- ff) Digital and information technology
- gg) Telecommunications
- hh) Other broadcasting, creative and digital sector

Transport, storage and distribution services

- ii) Air transport
- jj) Storage and distribution
- kk) Water transport
- II) Other transport

Public services

- mm) Education
- nn) Health and social care
- oo) Other public services

Retail and hospitality

- pp) Hotels and restaurants
- qq) Retail
- rr) Other retail and hospitality
- ss) Other
- tt) Prefer not to say

Q.3 Approximately what proportion of your members export to / invest in India?

- a) Between 1% and 24%
- b) Between 25% and 49%
- c) Between 50% and 74%
- d) Between 75% and 99%
- e) 100%
- f) Don't know
- g) Prefer not to say

Q.4 Approximately what proportion of your members have indicated they would like to do more exporting to / investment in India?

- a) Between 1% and 24%
- b) Between 25% and 49%
- c) Between 50% and 74%
- d) Between 75% and 99%
- e) 100%
- f) Don't know
- g) Prefer not to say

Q.5 Approximately what proportion of your members import from / have investment from India?

- a) Between 1% and 24%
- b) Between 25% and 49%
- c) Between 50% and 74%
- d) Between 75% and 99%
- e) 100%
- f) Don't know
- g) Prefer not to say

Q.6 Approximately what proportion of your members have indicated they would like to do more importing from / seek investment from India?

- a) Between 1% and 24%
- b) Between 25% and 49%
- c) Between 50% and 74%
- d) Between 75% and 99%
- e) 100%
- f) Don't know
- g) Prefer not to say

Q.7 What existing UK government or regional / business group-led initiatives, if any, have your members said support them in doing business with India?

For example, existing agreements on recognition of professional qualifications or regulation.

a)

- b) There are no existing initiatives that support our members
- c) Members have not told us about this

Q.8 Have your members been in contact with your organisation about the prospect of a free trade agreement (or related trade talks) with India?

Q.9 Do you know whether your members have faced, or are currently facing, challenges when attempting to trade or invest between the UK and India?

These may or may not be issues related to tariffs..

Q.10 Are these challenges at the national level (union) or state level?

Please select all that apply.

- a) National/union
- b) State/regional
- c) Don't know

Q.11 Please provide the name of the Indian state and the exact location where your members have faced issues when attempting to trade or invest.

Q.12 Is the cause of these difficulties linked to any of the following?

For more information on these areas, please see the detail included at the gov.uk consultation page.

Please select all that apply.

- a) Tariffs
- b) Rules of Origin
- c) Customs Procedures
- d) Product Standards, Regulation and Certification
- e) Good Regulatory Practices and Good Governance
- f) Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPS)
- g) Services
- h) Financial services
- i) Digital
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- k) Innovation
- I) Competition Policy, Subsidies and State Owned Enterprises (SOEs)
- m) Government Procurement
- n) Intellectual Property
- o) International Development
- p) Investment
- q) Labour Standards
- r) Gender Equality/Women's Economic Empowerment
- s) Environment and Climate Change

- t) Trade Remedies
- u) Dispute Settlement
- v) Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SME) Policy
- w) Recognition of Professional and/or Academic Qualifications
- x) Other e.g. anti-corruption, workforce development, human rights etc.
- y) None of these
- z) Don't know

Q.13 Please provide as much detail of these difficulties as possible including how significant they were in terms of impact

(e.g. did your members stop trading with India, did they face increased costs to trade, etc).

Q.14 Which one of the challenges that you have outlined above was the most significant in terms of impact on your members trading or investing between the UK and India? Q.17 Are there any provisions that would help ensure women can fully access the benefits of trading opportunities between the UK and India?

a)

b) Not applicable

Q.15 What, if anything, would you like the Government to do about the

issues you have outlined above?

Q.18 Do your members have experience trading in innovative products between India and the UK?

a) Yes - Please describe the nature of products

b) No

Q.16 What is driving most of your members' costs when trading with India?

Please list the top three costs if possible.

a)

Q.19 Have your members faced, or are currently facing, any business environment issues and challenges in relation to Indian laws and regulations relating to trade and business?

If so, please describe below.

b) No challenges faced

- b) Don't know
- c) Not applicable

Q.20 Which of these areas of a free trade agreement best describe your priorities?

The options below are structured around the typical content of a free trade agreement.

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Please select all that apply.

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- b) Rules of Origin
- c) Customs Procedures
- d) Product Standards, Regulation and Certification
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- v) Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SME) Policy

- w) Recognition of Professional and/or Academic Qualifications
- x) Other e.g. anti-corruption, workforce development, human rights etc.
- y) None of these
- z) Don't know

Q.21 Using the text box, please explain why these are your organisation/member's top priorities.

Q.22 Using the same list, please select your top three priorities for a future free trade agreement (or related trade talks) with India.

For more information on these areas, please see the detail included at the gov.uk consultation page.

- a) Tariffs
- b) Rules of Origin
- c) Customs Procedures
- d) Product Standards, Regulation and Certification
- e) Good Regulatory Practices and Good Governance
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- v) Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SME) Policy
- w) Recognition of Professional and/or Academic Qualifications
- x) Other e.g. anti-corruption, workforce development, human rights etc.
- y) None of these
- z) Don't know

Q.23 Of the three priorities you have selected, which one is the most important and why?

Please provide details below and be as specific as possible.

Q.24 What are your organisation/ member's concerns about a trade agreement (or related talks) with India?

he options below are structured around the typical content of a free trade agreement.

Please select all that apply.

- a) Tariffs
- b) Rules of Origin
- c) Customs Procedures
- d) Product Standards, Regulation and Certification
- e) Good Regulatory Practices and Good Governance
- f) Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPS)
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- v) Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SME) Policy
- w) Recognition of Professional and/or Academic Qualifications
- x) Other e.g. anti-corruption, workforce development, human rights etc.
- y) None of these
- z) Don't know

Q.25 Based on the priority areas you have outlined above, please provide information on the importance of these issues to your organisation/members.

Q.26 Do you/your members currently face any issues with accessing all relevant information when trading between the UK and India (e.g. necessary compliance information, accessing relevant essential documents)?

a) Yes (please describe these issues. Please provide details below and be as specific as possible) Q.30 Please briefly explain the extent of your organisation's presence and/or operations in India

- b) Don't know
- c) Not applicable

Q.27 Is there anything else that you would want to say about the UK's future trade relationship with India?

a) Yes

b) No

Q.31 Have any of your members been in contact with your organisation about the prospect of a free trade agreement (or related talks) with India?

Q.32 Where is your organisation primarily based?

a)

Q.28 How many members/businesses does your group represent in total?

- a) 0-9
- b) 10 100
- c) 101-250
- d) 251-1000
- e) 1001-5000
- f) 5001-10000
- g) More than 10000
- h) Don't know
- i) Prefer not to say

- b) Other, please enter your country below:
- c) Prefer not to say

Q.33 If you stated that your organisation primarily based [in one of the Crown Dependencies / in a UK Overseas Territories]. In which [Crown Dependency / UK Overseas Territory] your organisation is currently based (your main address)?

a) The Crown Dependencies:

Q.29 Does your organisation have a presence in, or operate in, India?

b) UK Overseas Territories

Part 3E -

Part 3E Public Sector Bodies

Q.1 What is the name of the public sector body you are responding on behalf of?

This information is mandatory, please see the privacy and confidentiality statement <here> for reasons why this information is needed.

Q.2 Which area does your organisation represent?

Please select all that apply.

- a) Education
- b) Health
- c) Labour / Workers Rights
- d) Human Rights
- e) Religious interests / groups
- f) International Development
- g) Food and Drink
- h) Environment and Climate Change
- i) Animals
- i) Farmers
- k) Consumers
- I) Product Regulation / Safety
- m) Manufacturing
- n) Transport
- o) Science / Technology
- p) Digital / Technology
- q) Broadcasting / Entertainment
- r) Financial / Business Services
- s) Defence / Security
- t) Academic institution
- u) Other

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Prefer not to say

Q.3 Does your public sector body have a presence in, or operate in India?

- a) Yes
- b) No
- c) Don't know
- d) Prefer not to say

Q.4 Please briefly explain the extent of your organisation's presence and/or operations in India.

Q.5 Have any of your stakeholders (individuals or organisations that work with you) been in contact with your organisation about the prospect of a free trade agreement (or related trade talks) with India?

- a) Yes
- b) No
- c) Don't know
- d) Prefer not to say
- e) Not applicable

Q.6 Which of these areas of a free trade agreement best describe your priorities?

The options below are structured around the typical content of a free trade agreement.

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- t) Trade Remedies
- u) Dispute Settlement
- v) Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SME) Policy
- w) Recognition of Professional and/or Academic Qualifications
- x) Other e.g. anti-corruption, workforce development, human rights etc.
- y) None of these
- z) Don't know

Q.7 Based on the priority areas you have outlined above, what would you/ your stakeholders want the UK government to achieve through a free trade agreement (or related trade talks) with India, and why?

Please provide details below and be as specific as possible.

Q.8 Which of these areas of a free trade agreement best describe your priorities?

For more information on these areas, please see the detail included at the gov.uk consultation page.

Please select all that apply.

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- b) Rules of Origin
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- w) Recognition of Professional and/or Academic Qualifications
- x) Other e.g. anti-corruption, workforce development, human rights etc.
- y) None of these
- z) Don't know

Q.9 Based on the priority areas you have outlined above, please provide information on the importance of these issues to your organisation.

Q.10 Using the same list, please select your top three priorities for a future free trade agreement (or related trade talks) with India.

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- u) Dispute Settlement
- v) Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SME) Policy
- w) Recognition of Professional and/or Academic Qualifications
- x) Other e.g. anti-corruption, workforce development, human rights etc.
- y) None of these
- z) Don't know

Q.11 Of the three priorities you have selected, which one is the most important and why? Please provide details below and be as specific as possible

Q.12 Have you/your stakeholders faced, or are currently facing, challenges when attempting to trade or invest between the UK and India?

Q.14 Please provide the name of the Indian state and the exact location where you/your stakeholders faced issues when attempting to trade or invest.

Q.13 Were these challenges at the national level (union) or state level?

- a) National/Union
- b) State Level
- d) Don't know

Q.15 Is the cause of these difficulties linked to any of the following?

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- w) Recognition of Professional and/or Academic Qualifications
- x) Other e.g. anti-corruption, workforce development, human rights etc.
- y) None of these
- z) Don't know

Q.16 Please provide as much detail of these difficulties as possible including how significant they were in terms of impact.

(e.g. did you/your stakeholders stop trading with India, increase costs to trade, etc).

Q.17 Which one of the challenges that you have outlined above was the most significant in terms of impact on your/your stakeholder's trading or investing between the UK and India?

Q.18 What, if anything, would you like the Government to do about the issues you have outlined above?

Q.19 Do you/your stakeholders currently face any issues with accessing all relevant information when trading between the UK and India

(e.g. necessary compliance information, accessing relevant essential documents)

a) Yes (please provide details below and be as specific as possible)

- b) Don't know
- c) Not applicable

Q.20 Do you/your stakeholders have experience trading in innovative products between India and the UK?

a) Yes (please describe the products nature)

b) No

Q.21 What would your/your stakeholder's concerns about a trade agreement (or related talks) with India be?

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- v) Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SME) Policy
- w) Recognition of Professional and/or Academic Qualifications
- x) Other e.g. anti-corruption, workforce development, human rights etc.
- y) None of these
- z) Don't know

Q.22 Based on your selection, please explain the concerns you/your
stakeholders have about a future free trade agreement (or related talks)
vith India.

Q.23 Are there any provisions that would help ensure women can fully access the benefits of trading opportunities between the UK and India?

a)

b) Not applicable

Q.24 Is there anything else that you would want to say about the UK's future trade relationship with India?

a) Yes

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