

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

LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 208  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

**CONCESSIONS/FACILITIES TO EOUs**

**\*208. SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY:**

**SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:**

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

- (a) the details of the concessions/ facilities being provided to the Export Oriented Units (EOUs) under the EOU scheme in the country;
- (b) whether any instances of misuse of these concessions/facilities have come to the notice of the Government during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether it is a fact that there is no provision to punish the offenders for misuse of the concessions/facilities under the schemes for promoting the export and if so, the reasons therefor along with the remedial measures taken in this regard so far; and
- (e) whether the objective of the scheme has been achieved by the Government, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

a) to e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA  
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REGARDING "CONCESSIONS/FACILITIES TO EOUs".**

(a): Benefits available to EOUs after introduction of Goods and Services Tax (GST) regime include:

- Duty free imports;
- Benefit of MEIS scheme (Chapter 3 benefits of Foreign Trade Policy);
- Reimbursement of Central Sales Tax (CST) on items not covered under GST;
- Reimbursement of Customs duty paid on fuel procured from domestic oil companies.
- Fast-track clearance to status holder units
- Units are allowed to retain 100% of export earnings in EEFC accounts.

(b) & (c): The number of cases during the last three years and in the current year where Show Cause Notices (SCNs) issued to EOUs for demand of duty because of alleged misuse of concessions are as under :-

Year	No. of cases of misuse where SCNs issued	Demand of duty (in Rupees Crores)
2014-2015	156	527.35
2015-2016	170	468.12
2016-2017	97	325.58
2017-2018(till 30.6.2017)	31	54.88

Further, during the last three years and in the current year, two cases have been registered by Central Bureau of Investigation, against M/s Gaurika Gems & Jewels, Bund, Rajasthan, M/s A.I. Metals, Alwar, Rajasthan and one case by Directorate of Revenue Intelligence against M/s Gaurav Pharma Ltd. Haryana for duty evasion. In 27 cases, penalties have been imposed under the provisions of the Foreign Trade (Development & Regulation) Act 1992 for violation of provisions of the Foreign Trade Policy 2015-2020 amounting to Rs. 36.90 lakhs.

(d): No madam, there are sufficient provisions under the Customs Act, 1962 and Central Excise Act, 1944 which provide for suitable punishment to offenders including fines, penalties and prosecution besides recovery of duty for which concession was availed by EOU. Instances of violation/misuse are dealt by the concerned Development Commissioner/Central Excise and Customs authorities as per the relevant provisions of these laws as and when detected. For violation of Foreign Trade Policy provisions, penalty can also be imposed under the Section 11 of Foreign Trade (Development and Regulation) Act, 1992. Steps have been taken to curb such violations which include joint monitoring of the performance of the EOU Units by officers of Customs and Central Excise and Development Commissioners on a regular basis.

(e): The EOUs are required to be Net Foreign Exchange (NFE) positive and continuity of the units is subject to their being NFE positive. The EOUs have been consistently achieving over 60 percent positive NFE during the last five years as detailed below:-

**Foreign exchange earned by EOUs**

• *(Value in Rupees Crore)*

Year	EOU's Exports	EOU's Imports	NFE by EOUs	NFE as %age of export
2012-13	104088.2	37390.35	66697.86	64.07821
2013-14	104721.7	37390.1	67331.56	64.29573
2014-15	105490.4	39334.88	66155.47	62.71234
2015-16	107875.4	37896.71	69978.72	64.86993
2016-17	75156.86	26145.58	49011.28	65.21198
2017-18 (up to 30.6.2017)	10461.89	3236.13	7225.76	69.06744

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**STARRED QUESTION NO. 213**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES**

**\*213. SHRI B.S. YEDIYURAPPA:**

**PROF. RICHARD HAY:**

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

- (a) the total number of Special Economic Zones (SEZs) in the country indicating those which are operational, State/UT-wise and location-wise including Gujarat;
- (b) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized under these SEZs during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise along with the targets set and achievements made by them so far;
- (c) whether certain SEZs approved by the Government have not started functioning or are lying closed and if so, the details of such non-operational SEZs, State/UT-wise and location-wise along with the reasons therefor;
- (d) the corrective steps taken by the Government to make these SEZs functional along with the time-frame fixed in this regard; and
- (e) whether the Government has received any request from any State for setting up SEZs and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken thereon?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

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**REGARDING "SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES".**

(a): In addition to Seven Central Government Special Economic Zones (SEZs) and 11 State/Private Sector SEZs set-up prior to the enactment of the SEZs Act, 2005, approvals have been accorded to 420 proposals for setting up of SEZs in the country. Presently, out of 351 notified SEZs a total of 218 SEZs are operational including Gujarat. States/UTs-wise and location-wise details of operational SEZs is at **Annexure-I**.

(b): SEZs being set up under the SEZs Act, 2005 and SEZs Rules, 2006 are primarily private investment driven. No funds are sanctioned by the Central Government for setting up of SEZ, however, the fiscal concessions and duty benefits have been allowed to developers/units as per the SEZs Act, 2005 and Rules thereunder. As on 31.03.2017, exports from SEZs was Rs. 5,23,637 crores and an employment for about 17.31 lakh persons has been generated in different SEZs and an investment of Rs. 4,23,189 crore has been made.

(c) and (d): Presently, 220 SEZs are non-operational across the country. States/UTs-wise and location-wise details of non-operational SEZs is at **Annexure-II**. Setting up of SEZs is a long term process and delay in commencement of commercial operations of the SEZs may be due to various reasons which include time taken in getting approvals from statutory/State Government bodies, adverse business climate due to changed global economic situation, changes in fiscal incentives, etc. The corrective steps taken by the Government to make these SEZs functional are as under:

- i. The Government periodically reviews the policy and operational framework of SEZs and takes necessary measures so as to facilitate speedy and effective implementation of SEZs.
- ii. Minimum Land Area requirement for setting up of new SEZs has been reduced to 50% for Multi-product and Sector-specific SEZs.
- iii. Sectoral broad-banding has been introduced to encompass similar / related areas under the same Sector.
- iv. Dual use of facilities like Social & Commercial infrastructure by SEZs and non-SEZs entities has been allowed in order to make SEZ operations more viable.
- v. State Governments have been advised to make their own Single Window Clearance mechanism more effective.
- vi. Review meetings with the Development Commissioners of SEZs are held regularly.

(e): No Madam. The Government has not received any request from State Government for setting up new SEZs till date.

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**Annexure-I to the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. \*213 for 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2017**

<b>List of Operational SEZs in India</b>				
<b>Central Government SEZs set up prior to the enactment of SEZs Act, 2005</b>				
<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name of the SEZ</b>		<b>Location</b>	<b>Type of SEZ</b>
1	Kandla Special Economic Zone		Kandla, Gujarat	Multi product
2	SEEPZ Special Economic Zone		Mumbai, Maharashtra	Electronics and Gems and Jewellery
3	Noida Special Economic Zone		Uttar Pradesh	Multi product
4	MEPZ Special Economic Zone		Chennai, Tamil Nadu	Multi product
5	Cochin Special Economic Zone		Cochin, Kerala	Multi product
6	Falta Special Economic Zone		Falta, West Bengal	Multi product
7	Visakhapatnam SEZ		Vishakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh	Multi product
<b>State Government/Private Sector SEZs set up prior to the enactment of SEZs Act, 2005</b>				
<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name of the SEZ</b>		<b>Location</b>	<b>Type of SEZ</b>
1	Surat Special Economic Zone		Surat, Gujarat	Multi product
2	Manikanchan SEZ, W. Bengal		Kolkatta, West Bengal	Gems and Jewellery
3	Jaipur SEZ		Jaipur, Rajasthan	Gems and Jewellery
4	Indore SEZ		Sector-3, Pithampur Distt. Dhar (MP)	Multi product
5	Salt Lake Electronic City - WIPRO		Kolkatta, West Bengal	Software development and ITES
6	Mahindra World City Developers Limited		Taluk Chengalpattu, Kancheepuram District, Tamil Nadu	IT/Hardware and Bio-informatics
7	Mahindra World City Developers Limited		Taluk Chengalpattu, Kancheepuram District, Tamil Nadu	Auto
8	Mahindra World City Developers Limited		Taluk Chengalpattu, Kancheepuram District, Tamil Nadu	Apparel and fashion accessories
9	Nokia SEZ		Sriperumbudur, Tamil Nadu	Telecom equipments/R&D services
10	Moradabad SEZ		Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh	Handicrafts
11	Surat Apparel Park		Surat, Gujarat	Apparel
<b>SEZs notified under the SEZ Act, 2005:</b>				
<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>State-wise Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name of the SEZ</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Type of SEZ</b>
<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>				
1	1	Divi's Laboratories Limited	Chippada Village, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh	Pharmaceuticals
2	2	Apache SEZ Development India Private Limited	Mandal Tada, Nellore District, Andhra Pradesh	Footwear
3	3	Ramky Pharma City (India) Pvt. Ltd.	E-Bonangi Villages, Parawada Mandal, Visakhapatnam District, Andhra Pradesh	Pharmaceuticals
4	4	Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructural Corporation Ltd.(APIIC)	Madhurawada Village, Visakhapatnam District, Andhra Pradesh	IT/ITES
5	5	Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Limited (APIIC)	Madhurawada Village, Visakhapatnam Rural Mandal, Andhra Pradesh	IT/ITES
6	6	L&T Hitech City Limited	Keesarapalli Village, Gannavaram Mandal, Krishna District, Andhra Pradesh	IT/ITES
7	7	Hetero Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd.	Nakkapalli Mandal, Visakhapatnam District,	Pharmaceuticals

			Andhra Pradesh	
8	8	Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructural Corporation Ltd.(APIIC)	Atchutapuram and Rambilli Mandals, Visakhapatnam District, Andhra Pradesh	Multi Product
9	9	Brandix India Apparel City Private Limited	Duppituru, Doturupalem Maruturu and Gurujaplen Villages in Visakhapatnam District, Andhra Pradesh	Textile
10	10	Sri City Private Limited	villages at Satyavedu and Vardayya Palem, Mandals, Andhra Pradesh	Multi Product
11	11	Parry Infrastructure Company Private Limited	Vakalapudi Village, Kakinada Rural Mandal, Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh	Food Processing
12	12	Mas Fabric Park (India) Pvt. Ltd.	Chintavaram village, Chillakru Mandal, Nellore District, Andhra Pradesh	Textile and Apparel
13	13	Bhartiya International SEZ. Limited	Nellore, Andhra Pradesh	Leather sector
14	14	Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructural Corporation Ltd.(APIIC)	Sarpavaram Viullage, Kakinada Rural East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh	IT/ITES
15	15	Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Limited (APIIC)	Mandals Maddipadu and Korispadu, District prakasham, Andhra Pradesh	Building Products
16	16	IFFCO Kisan SEZ Limited	Mandal Kodavaluru, District Nellore, Andhra Pradesh	Multi Product
17	17	Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructural Corporation Ltd.(APIIC)	Mandals-Naidupeta and Pellakuru, District-Nellore, Andhra Pradesh	Multi Product
18	18	Dr. Reddy's Laboratories Limited	Mandal Ranasthalam, District Srikakulam, Andhra Pradesh.	Pharmaceutical
19	19	Kakinada SEZ Private Limited	Ramanakkapeta and A. V. Nagaram Vikllages, East Godavari District, Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh	Multi Product
		<b>Chandigarh</b>		
20	1	Chandigarh Administration	Chandigarh	Electronics Hardware, and IT/ITES
21	2	Chandigarh Administration	Chandigarh	IT/ITES
		<b>Chhattisgarh</b>		
22	1	Lanco Solar Private Limited	Mahroomkala, Mahroomkurd and Chaveli villages, Rajnandgaon District, Chhattisgarh	Solar
		<b>Gujarat</b>		
23	1	Reliance Jamnagar Infrastructure Limited	Jamnagar, Gujarat	Multi product
24	2	Dahej SEZ Limited	Taluke Vagra, District Bharuch, Gujarat	Multi Product
25	3	Mundra Port and Special Economic Zone	Village Mundra, Taluka Mundra, District Kutch, Gujarat	Multi Product
26	4	Zydus Infrastructure Private Limited	Ahmedabad, Gujarat	Pharmaceuticals
27	5	Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation	Ahmedabad, Gujarat	Textiles and Articles of Textiles
28	6	Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation	Gandhinagar Electronic Estate, Gujarat	IT/ITES
29	7	Jubilant Infrastructure Limited	Villages Vilayat and Vorasamni, Taluka Vagra, District Bharuch, Gujarat	Chemical
30	8	Aqualine Properties Private Limited	Village Koba, District Gandhinagar, Gujarat	IT/ITES
31	9	Aspen Infrastructures Limited	Taluka Waghodia, District Vadodara, Gujarat	Hightech Engineering products and related Services
32	10	Gift SEZ Limited	Village Phirozpur and Ratanpur, District Gandhinagar, Gujarat	Multi Services
33	11	Sterling SEZ and Infrastructure Limited	Jambusar, District Bharuch, Gujarat	Multi Product
34	12	E. Complex Pvt. Ltd.	Rajula and Village Lunsapur, Taluka Jafarabad, District Amerli, Gujarat	Engineering goods
35	13	Tata Consultancy Services Limited	Gandhinagar, Gujarat	IT/ITES
36	14	Larsen & Toubro Ltd.	Village Ankhola and Bapod, Taluka Vadodara, District Vadodara, Gujarat	IT/ITES
37	15	Euro Multivision Ltd.	District Kutch, Gujarat	Non-conventional energy including

				solar energy equipments/cell
38	16	Ganesh Infrastructure Private Limited	Village Chharodi Taluka Dascroi, District Ahmedabad, Gujarat	IT/ITES
		<b>Haryana</b>		
39	1	Dr. Fresh Healthcare Pvt. Ltd.	Gurgaon, Haryana	IT/ITES
40	2	DLF Ltd.	Village Silokhera, Tehsil and District Gurgaon, Haryana	IT/ITES
41	3	DLF Cyber City Developers Ltd.	Gurgaon, Haryana	IT/ITES
42	4	Gurgaon Infospace Ltd.	Village Dundahera, District Gurgaon, Haryana	IT/ITES
43	5	ASF Insignia SEZ Private Ltd.	Village Gwal Pahari, Tehsil Sohna, District Gurgaon, Haryana	IT/ITES
44	6	Unitech Realty Projects Ltd.	Village Tikri, Tehsil and District Gurgaon, Haryana	IT/ITES
45	7	Anant Raj Industries Ltd.	Plot No. TP-1, Rai, Sonapat District, Haryana	IT/ITES
		<b>Karnataka</b>		
46	1	Biocon Limited.	Anekal Taluk, Banglore, Karnataka	Bio-technology
47	2	Shyamaraju and Company (India) Pvt. Ltd.	Kundalahalli Village, Krishnarajapuram, Karnataka	IT/ITES enabled services
48	3	Manyata Embassy Business Park	Rachenhalli & Nagavara Village, Bangalore District, Karnataka	IT/ITES
49	4	WIPRO Limited	Doddakannelli Village, Varthur Hobli, Sarjapur Road, Karnataka	IT
50	5	WIPRO Limited	Doddathogur Village, Begur Hobli, Electronic City, Bangalore, Karnataka	IT
51	6	Vrindavan Tech Villages SEZ	Devarabeesanahalli Village, Varthur Hoblic, Bangalore East Taluk, Karnataka	IT/ITES
52	7	RMZ Ecoworld Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd.	Devarabeesanahalli, Bhoganahalli and Doddakanahalli, Karnataka	IT/ITES
53	8	Cessna Business Park Pvt. Ltd.	Kadubeesanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, District Bangalore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
54	9	Tanglin Development Ltd	Pattengere/Mylasandra Villages, Karnataka	IT/ITES
55	10	Infosys Technologies Limited	Hebbal Industrial area, District Mysore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
56	11	Information Technology Park Limited	Sadaramangala and Pattandur Agrahara Village, Whitefield Road, District Bangalore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
57	12	Karnataka Industrial Area Development Board (KIADB)	Village Perumenahally, Kokkanagatta, Sumudra Vally, Hamumanthapura, Taluk Hassan, Karnataka	Textile
58	13	Infosys Technologies Limited	Hebbal Industrial area, District Mysore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
59	14	HCL Technologies Ltd.	Jigani Industrial Area, Attibele Taluka, Bangalore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
60	15	Pritech Park	Bellandur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, Karnataka	IT/ITES
61	16	Karnataka Industrial Area Development Board (KIADB)	District Hassan, Karnataka	Pharmaceuticals
62	17	Aspen Infrastructures Limited	Nadasalu, Nandikooru, Polimaru and Hejamadi villagesin Udipi Taluk, Karnataka	Hi-tech Engineering Products and related services
63	18	Karle Infra Pvt. Ltd.	Nagavara Village, North Bangalore Taluka, Karnataka	IT/ITES
64	19	Mangalore SEZ Limited	Baikampady Near Mangalore, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka	Multi Product
65	20	Bagmane Construction Pvt. Ltd	Mahadevapura, K R Puram, Bangalore North, Karnataka	IT/ITES
66	21	Quest SEZ Development Private Limited	Hattargi and Mastiholi villages, Hukkeri Taluk, Belgaum District, Karnataka	Precision Engineering



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67	22	Gopalan Enterprises (India) Private Limited.	Village Mahadevpura and Kaggadaspura, K.R. Puram, Whitefield, Bangalore, Karnataka.	IT/ITES
68	23	Karnataka State Electronics Development Corporation Limited (KEONICS)	Village Machenahalli and Nidige, District Shimoga, Karnataka	Electronics Hardware and Software/ ITES
69	24	Larsen & Toubro Limited	KIADB Industrial Area, Taluka Hebbel-Hootagally, District Mysore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
70	25	Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board (KIADB)	Talukas Bangalore North and Devanahali, Distt. Bangalore, Karnataka	Aerospace and Industry
71	26	Milestone Buildcon Private Limited	Village Chokkanahalli, Taluka Yelahanka Hobli Bangalore North, Karnataka	IT/ITES
		<b>Kerala</b>		
72	1	Cochin Port Trust	Vallapadom, Mulavukadu/Fort Kochi Village, Ernakulam District, Kerala	Port Based
73	2	Cochin Port Trust	Puthuvyppeen, Eranakulam District, Kerala	Port Based
74	3	Infopark	Kakkanad, Ernakulam, Kerala	IT/ITES
75	4	Electronics Technology Parks-Kerala	Attipura Vill. Taluk & District Thiruvanthapuram, Kerala	IT/ITES
76	5	Kerala Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation. (KINFRA)	Ayiroopara and Kazhakootam Villages, Trivandrum District, Kerala	Animation & Gaming
77	6	Kerala Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (KINFRA)	Chelembra Village, Thirurangadi Taluk, Malappuram District, Kerala	Agro Based Food Processing
78	7	Electronics Technology Parks-Kerala	Thiruvanthapuram, Kerala	IT/ITES
79	8	Kerala Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (KINFRA)	Thrikkakara village, Kanayannur Taluk, Ernakulam District, Kerala	Electronics Industries
80	9	Kerala State Information Technology Infrastructure Limited	Pallipuram Village, Chertala Taluk, Alappuzha District Kerala	IT/ITES
81	10	Electronics Technology Parks-Kerala (Technopark)	Village Attipra, Taluk and District Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.	IT/ITES
82	11	Kerala State Information Technology Infrastructure Limited	Village Mulavana, District Kollam, Kerala	IT/ITES
83	12	Carborundum Universal Ltd.	Village Thrikkakara North, Taluka Kanayannur, District Ernakulam, Kerala	Solar Photovoltaic
84	13	Sutherland Global Services Private Limited	Village Thrikkakara North, Taluka Kanayannur, District Ernakulam, Kerala	IT/ITES
85	14	Kerala State Information Technology Infrastructure Limited (KSITIL)	Village Pantheerankavu and Nellikode, Taluka Kozhikode, District Kozhikode, Kerala	IT/ITES
86	15	Infoparks Kerala	Village Puthencruz and Kunnathunadu, Taluka Kunnathunadu, District Ernakulam, Kerala	IT/ITES
87	16	Smart City (Kochi) Infrastructure Limited	Village Kakkanad, Taluka Kanayannur, District Ernakulam, Kerala	IT/ITES
88	17	Kerala State IT Infrastructure Limited (KSITIL)	Village Muringur – Thekkumuri, Mukundapuram Taluk, Koratty Panchayath, Thrissur District, Kerala	IT/ITES
89	18	Uralungal Labour Contract Co-operative Society Limited (ULCCS LTD)	Nellikode Village, Kozhikode District, Kerala	IT/ITES
		<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>		
90	1	Crystal IT Park SEZ (M.P. Audoyogik Kendra Vikas Nigam (Indore) Ltd.)	Indore in the State of Madhya Pradesh	IT/ITES enabled sevices
		<b>Maharashtra</b>		
91	1	Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation Limited MIDC	Rajiv Gandhi Infotech Park, Hinjawadi, Phase-III, District Pune, aharashtra	IT/ITES
92	2	Syntel International Private Limited	Talwade Software Park, District Pune, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
93	3	Serum Bio-pharma Park	Pune, Maharashtra	Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology
94	4	Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation	Village Krushnoor, Taluka Naigaon, District Nanded, Maharashtra	Pharmaceuticals

95	5	Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation	Shendre Industrial Area, District Aurangabad, Maharashtra	Engineering & Electronics
96	6	Wokhardt Infrastructure Development Limited	Shendre Five Star Industrial Ares, Aurangabad District, Maharashtra	Pharmaceutical
97	7	Hiranandani Builders	Village Powai, District Mumbai, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
98	8	Zeus Infrastructure Private Limited	Village Mulund, Taluka Kurla, District Mumbai Suburban and Village Kopri, Taluka Thane, District Thane, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
99	9	Magarpatta Township Development and Construction Company Ltd.	Magarpatta City, Village Hadapsar, Taluka, Haveli, District Pune, Maharashtra	Electronics Hardware and Software including information technology enabled Services
100	10	EON Kharadi Infrastructure Private Limited	Taluka Haveli, District Pune, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
101	11	WIPRO Limited	Hinjawadi District, Pune, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
102	12	Infosys Technologies Limited	Rajiv Gandhi Infotech Park, Phase –II, village Mann, Tal. Mulshi, District Pune in the State of Maharashtra	IT/ITES
103	13	Qubix Business Park Pvt. Ltd.	Village- Hinjawadi, Taluka- Mulshi, District- Pune, Maharashtra	IT
104	14	Serene Properties Pvt. Ltd.	Kalwa Trans Thane Creek Industrial Area, MIDC, District Thane, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
105	15	Maharashtra Airport Development Company Limited.	Nagpur (MIHAN), District Nagpur, Maharashtra	Multi product
106	16	Wardha Power Company Pvt. Ltd.	Plot No. B-2, MIDC, Warora Growth Centre, Warora, District- Chandrapur, Maharashtra	Power Sector
107	17	The Manjiri Stud Farm Private Limited	Village Phursungi, Taluka Haveli, Pune, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
108	18	Quadron Business Parks Pvt. Ltd.	Plot No. 28, MIDC, Rajiv Gandhi Infotech Park, Hinjewadi, Phase-II, District-Pune, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
109	19	Pune Embassy India Pvt. Ltd.	Plot No. 3, Rajiv Gandhi Infotech Park, Hinjewadi, Phase II, Village Marunji, Taluka Musli, District Pune, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
110	20	Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation	Kesurde village, Satara District, Maharashtra	Engineering
111	21	Khed Economic Infrastructure Limited	Khed Taluka Pune District, Maharashtra	Engineering & Electronics
112	22	Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation	MIDC, Phaltan, District Satara, Maharashtra	Engineering
113	23	Arshiya International Limited	Village Sai, Taluka Panvel, District Raigad, Maharashtra	FTWZ
114	24	Gigaplex Estate Private Limited	Gigaplex, Plot No. 5, MIDC Knowledge Park, Airoli, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
115	25	Indiabulls Industrial Infrastructure Limited	Nashik, Maharashtra	Multi product
116	26	iGate Global Solutions Ltd.,	Plot No. IT-3, IT-4, Airoli Knowledge Park, TTC Industrial Area, MIDC, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra	Electronic Hardware & Software including ITES
117	27	Loma IT Park, Developers Pvt. Ltd.	G-4/1, TTC Industrial Area, Ghansoli, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
		<b>Odisha</b>		
118	1	Orissa Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (IDCO)	Chandaka Industrial Estate, P.S. - Chandrasekharpur, Tehsil - Bhubaneswar, District Khurda, Odisha	IT
119	2	Orissa Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (IDCO)	Village Gaudakahipur and Arisal, P.S. - Jatni, Tehsil - Jatni, District Khurda, Odisha	IT (Knowledge Park)
120	3	Vedanta Aluminium Limited	Brundamal and Kurebaga Villages, Tehsil and District - Jharsuguda, Orissa.	Manufacture & Export of

				Aluminium
		<b>Punjab</b>		
121	1	Quarkcity India Pvt. Ltd.	Mohali, Punjab	IT
122	2	Ranbaxy Laboratories Ltd.	Mohali, Punjab	Pharmaceuticals
123	3	Infosys Limited	Plot No. I-3, IT City, Sector – 83, Alpha, SAS Nagar, Mohali, Punjab	IT/ITES
		<b>Rajasthan</b>		
124	1	Mahindra Worldcity (Jaipur) Limited	Kalwara Village, District Jaipur, Rajasthan	IT/ITES
125	2	Mahindra Worldcity (Jaipur) Limited	Kalwara village, Tehsil- Sanganer, Dist- Jaipur, Rajasthan	Handicrafts
126	3	Mahindra Worldcity (Jaipur) Limited	Jaipur, Rajasthan	Engineering and related industries
		<b>Tamil Nadu</b>		
127	1	Flextronics Technologies (India) Private Limited	Sriperumbudur, Kancheepuram, Tamil Nadu	Electronics Hardware and related services
128	2	Tata Consultancy Services Limited	Siruseri and Egattur, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
129	3	IG3 Infra Limited	Pallikkarani Village, Tambaram Taluk, Kancheepuram, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
130	4	Hexaware Technologies Ltd.	SIPCOT IT Park, Old Mahabalipuram Road, Siruseri, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
131	5	Syntel International Private Limited	Kancheepuram, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
132	6	DLF Info City Developers (Chennai) Ltd.	Chennai, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
133	7	Electronics Corporation of Tamil Nadu Ltd.	Vilankurichi, Coimbatore North Taluk, Coimbatore District, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
134	8	IG3 Infra Limited	Vadamugam Kangeyampalayam Village, Perundurai Taluka, Erode District, Tamil Nadu	Textiles
135	9	Shriram Properties and Infrastructure Private Limited	Perungalathur village, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
136	10	State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu Limited	SIPCOT Industrial Area Sriperumbudure, Tamil Nadu	Electronics / Telecom hardware and support services, including trading and logistics activities
137	11	Coimbatore Hitech Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd.	Kecranatham Village, Coimbatore(N) Taluk, Coimbatore, Tamilnadu	IT/ITES
138	12	Cognizant Technology Solutions India Pvt. Ltd.	SIPCOT IT Park, Siruseri and Kazhipattur villages, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	IT/ ITES
139	13	L&T (Arun Excello Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd.)	Vallancheri and Potheri Villages, Chengalpet Taluk, Kancheepuram District, Tamil Nadu	Electronic Hardware & software including ITES
140	14	Span Venture Pvt. Ltd.	Kurichi village, Eachanari, Coimbatore District, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
141	15	Cheyyar SEZ Developers Pvt. Ltd.	SIPCOT Cheyyar Industrial Park in Mathur, Mangal Villages, Thiruvannamalai District, Tamil Nadu	Footwear
142	16	Aspen Infrastructures Limited	Karumatampatti and Kittampalayam villages, Palladam Taluk, Coimbatore District, Tamil Nadu	Hi-tech Engineering Products and related services
143	17	AMRL International Tech City Ltd.	Nanguneri Taluk, Tirunelvel, Tamil Nadu	Multi Product
144	18	New Chennai Township Private Limited	Seekinakuppam Village, Cheyyar Taluk, Kancheepuram District, Tamil Nadu	Engineering Sector including Auto Ancillaries.
145	19	New Chennai Township Private Limited	Seekinakuppam (Paramankeni and Vellur Villages), Cheyyur Taluk, Kancheepuram District, Tamil Nadu	Multi services
146	20	J. Matadee Free Trade Zone Private Limited	Mannur Village, Sriperembdur Taluk,	FTWZ

			Kancheepuram District, Tamil Nadu	
147	21	Tril Infopark Ltd.	Kanagam village of Mambalam-Guindy Taluk and Thiruvanniyur village of Mylapore-Triplicane Taluk, Chennai District, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
148	22	State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu	SIPCOT of Tamil Nadu Industrial Growth Centres, Sriperumbudur Taluka, Kancheepuram District, Tamil Nadu	Electronic hardware
149	23	ETA Technopark Pvt. Ltd.	Old Mahabalipuram Road, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
150	24	Electronics Corporation of Tamil Nadu (ELCOT)	Perumbakkam and Sholinganallur Village, Tambaram Taluk, Kancheepuram District, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
151	25	Electronics Corporation of Tamil Nadu (ELCOT)	Navalpattu Village, Tiruchirapalli Taluk, Tiruchirapalli District, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
152	26	Electronics Corporation of Tamil Nadu Limited (ELCOT)	Ilandhikulam Village, Madurai I, Madurai North Taluk, Madurai District, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
153	27	Pearl City (CCCL Infrastructure Limited)	Vadakkukaracheri and Thimmarajapura Villages, Tuticorin District, Tamil Nadu	Food Processing
154	28	State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu	SIPCOT of Tamil Nadu Complex, Ranipet Phase-III, Mukuntharayapuram Village, Walajah Taluk, Vellore District, Tamil Nadu	Engineering
155	29	State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu Limited	SIPCOT Growth Centre, Perundurai Village, Erode District, Tamil Nadu	Engineering
156	30	State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu	Tirunelveli District, Tamil Nadu	Transport engineering goods including manufacture of tyres and tubes for all purposes and for transport industry sector
157	31	L&T Shipbuilding Limited	Village Kattupalli, Ponneri Taluk, District Tiruvallur, Tamil Nadu	Heavy Engineering
		<b>Telangana</b>		
158	1	WIPRO Limited	Ranga Reddy District, Hyderabad, Telangana	IT
159	2	Hyderabad Gems SEZ Limited	Maheshwaram Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	Gems and Jewellery
160	3	Sundew Properties Pvt. Ltd.	Madhapur, Ranga Reddy District, Hyderabad, Telangana	IT/ITES
161	4	Tech Mahindra Ltd.	Bahadurpally Village, Ranga Reddy District, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh	IT/ITES
162	5	Tech Mahindra Ltd.	Hiotec City, Madhapur, District Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh	IT/ITES
163	6	L&T Phoenix Infoparks Private Limited	Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
164	7	Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructural Corporation Ltd.(APIIC)	Nanakramguda Village, Serilingampalli Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
165	8	CMC Limited	Village Gachibowli, Rajendra Nagar Taluk, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
166	9	FAB City SPV (India) Pvt. Ltd.	Villages Srinagar and Raviryal, Maheshwaram Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	Manufacturing and developing of semi-conductor facility with Free trade and Warehousing Zone
167	10	DivyaSree NSL Infrastructure Private Limited	Raidurga Village, Serilingampalli Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Hyderabad, Telangana	IT/ITES
168	11	Lanco Hills Technology Park Private Limited	Manikonda Village, Rajendranagar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT /ITES

169	12	DLF Commercial Developers Limited	Gachibowli village, Shirlingampalli Mandal, Ranga Reddy Telangana	IT/ITES
170	13	Indu Techzone Private Limited	Mamidipalli Village, Saroornagar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
171	14	NSL SEZ(Hyd) Pvt. Ltd.	IDA Uppal Industrial Development Area, Hyderabad, Telangana	IT/ITES
172	15	J. T. Holdings Private Limited	Imarat Kancha, Raviriyal Village, Himarath Taluka, Maheshwaram Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
173	16	Stargaze Properties Private Limited.	Kancha Imarat, Raviriyal village, Maheshwaram Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES/ Electronic Hardware
174	17	Hill County SEZ Private Limited	Bachupally village, Qutbullapur Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
175	18	Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructural Corporation Ltd.(APIIC)	Pollepally village, Jedcharla Mandal, Mahaboobnagar District, Telangana	Pharmaceuticals Formulation
176	19	Serene Properties Pvt. Ltd.	Pocharam village, Hayathnagar Taluka, Ghatkesar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Hyderabad, Telangana	IT/ITES
177	20	Navayuga Legala Estates Private Limited	Serilingampally village, Srilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
178	21	WIPRO Limited	Gopanpally and Vattinagulapally villages, Serilingampally Mandal Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
179	22	GMR Hyderabad International Airport Limited	Village Mamidipally, District Ranga Reddy, Telangana	Aviation
180	23	Infosys Limited	Pocharam Village, Ghatkesar Mandal, Rangareddy District, Telangana	IT
181	24	Tata Consultancy Services Limited	Adibatla village, Ibrahimpatnam Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
182	25	Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructural Corporation Ltd.(APIIC)	Aditya Nagar, Adibatla village, Ibrahimpatnam Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	Aerospace and Precision Engineering Industries
183	26	Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructural Corporation Ltd.(APIIC)	Genome Valley, Village Lalgadi Malakpet, Mandal Shameerpet, Ranga Reddy, Telangana	Biotechnology
184	27	Mantri Developers Private Limited	Nanakramguda village, Gachibowli, Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	Electronic Hardware and Software including IT/ITES
185	28	Shantha Biotechnics Pvt. Ltd.	Village Muppireddipally, Mandal Toopran, District Medak, Telangana	Biotech and related activities
186	29	Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Limited (APIIC)	Madikonda Village, Hanamkonda Mandal, Warangal District, Telangana	IT/ITES
		<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>		
187	1	Wipro Ltd.	Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh	IT/ITES
188	2	Moser Bear India Ltd.	Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh	Non-Conventional Energy including Solar Energy equipment
189	3	Ansal IT City and Parks Ltd.	Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh	IT/ITES
190	4	Seaview Dvelopers Ltd.	Noida, Uttar Pradesh	IT/ITES
191	5	HCL Technologies	Noida, Uttar Pradesh	IT/ITES
192	6	NIIT Technologies Limited SEZ	Plot No.TZ-02, Sector-Tech Zone, ITES Park, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh	IT/ITES
193	7	Aachvis Softech Pvt. Ltd.	Plot No. 7, Sector 144, Noida, Uttar Pradesh	IT/ITES
194	8	Arshiya Northern FTWZ Limited	Village Ibrahimpur, Junaidpur Urf, Moujpur, Bulandshar, Uttar Pradesh	FTWZ
195	9	Artha Infratech Private Limited	Plot No. 21, Sector Techzone-IV, Greater Noida, District Gautam Budh Nagar, Uttar	Electronic Hardware &

			Pradesh	Software including IT/ITES
196	10	HCL IT City Lucknow Private Limited	Village Kanjehara & Mastemau, Chack Gajaria Farms, Sultanpur Road, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	IT/ITES
		<b>West Bengal</b>		
197	1	M.L. Dalmiya and Company Ltd.	Kolkata, West Bengal	IT/ITES
198	2	DLF Limited	Plot No. II/1, Block-II F, Action Area - II, New Kolkata Township, Rajarhat, Kolkata, West Bengal	IT/ITES
199	3	Unitech Hi-tech Structures Limited,	Rajarhat Dist. North 24 Parganas, Kolkata, West Bengal	IT/ITES
200	4	Tata Consultancy Services Limited	IT Plot IIF/3, Action Area II, New Town Kolkata, West Bengal	IT/ITES

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<b>States/UTs-wise and location-wise details of non-operational SEZs in India</b>				
<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>State-wise Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name of the developer</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Type of SEZ</b>
<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>				
1	1	Whitefield Paper Mills Ltd.	Tallapudi Mandal, West Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh	Writing & Printing Paper Mill
2	2	Beneficent Knowledge Parks and Properties Ltd.	Villages Parigi and Serikolum, Mandal Parigi, Ananthapur District, Andhra Pradesh.	Multi Services
3	3	Anrak Aluminium Ltd.	APIIC Industrial Park, Village G. Koduru, Mandal Makavarapallem, District Vishakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh	Alumina/ Aluminium refining, smelting, associated processes, Products and raw material industrial
4	4	Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructural Corporation Ltd.(APIIC)	Villages Ratchumarripalli, Peddarangapuram and Venkatampalli, Mandal Pulivendula, District Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh	Biotechnology
5	5	Krishnapatnam Infratech Pvt. Ltd.	Chillakur Mandal, Nellore District, Andhra Pradesh	Multi Product
6	6	Indus Gene Expressions Limited	Village Kodur and Settepalli, Mandal Chilamathur, District Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh.	Biotechnology
7	7	Lepakshi Knowledge Hub Private Limited	Chillamaturu Mandal, Ananthapur District, Andhra Pradesh	Aerospace & Precision Engineering
8	8	Lepakshi Knowledge Hub Private Limited	Chillamaturu and Gorantla Mandal, Ananthapur District, Andhra Pradesh	Biotechnology
9	9	Lepakshi Knowledge Hub Private Limited	Chillamaturu Mandal, Ananthapur District, Andhra Pradesh	FTWZ
10	10	WIPRO Limited	Resapuvanipalem Village, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh	IT/ITES
11	11	CCL Products (India) Limited	Kuvakolli Village, Vardaiah Palem Mandal, Chittoor District, Andhra Pradesh	Agro based Food Processing
<b>Chhattisgarh</b>				
12	1	Naya Raipur Development Authority (NRDA)	Naya Raipur, Chhattisgarh	IT/ITES
<b>Delhi</b>				
13	1	Delhi State Industrial Information Development Corporation Ltd.	Baprola village, Delhi	IT
14	2	Delhi State Industrial Information Development Corporation Ltd.	Baprola village, Delhi	Gem and Jewellery
<b>Goa</b>				
15	1	Meditab Specialities Private Limited	Bhut Kham, Kerim Industrial Estate, Taluka Ponda, Goa	Pharmaceuticals
16	2	Paradigm Logistics and Distribution Private Limited	Phase IV - Verna Industrial Estate, Goa.	IT/ITES
17	3	K. Raheja Corp. Pvt. Ltd.	Verna Industrial Area, Goa	IT/ITES
18	4	Peninsula Pharma Research Centre Pvt. Ltd.	Sancoale Tal- Mormugao, Goa	Biotech
19	5	Planetview Mercantile Company Limited	Verna, Goa	Gems and Jewellery
20	6	Inox Mercantile Company Private Limited	Verna, Goa	Biotech
21	7	Panchbhoomi Infrastructure Private Limited	Survey No. 260, Village Socorro, Bardez Taluka, North Goa District, Goa	IT

		<b>Gujarat</b>		
22	1	CPL Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd.	Ahmedabad, Gujarat	Pharmaceuticals
23	2	Calica Construction and Impex Private Limited	Village Ognaj, Taluka Dascroi, District Ahmedabad, Gujarat	IT/ITES
24	3	Kandla Port Trust	Kandla, Gujarat	Port based Multi product
25	4	Shivganga Real Estates Holders Private Limited	Sargasan (Sarkhej-Gandhinagar Highway), Taluka Gandhinagar, District Gandhinagar, Gujarat	IT/ITES
26	5	Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation	Biotech Park, Savli GIDC Estate Village Manjusar, District Vadodara, Gujarat.	Biotechnology
27	6	Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation	Gandhinagar-Sarkhet Highway, Gandhinagar Gujarat	IT/ITES
28	7	Dishman Infrastructure Limited	Villages Kalayangadh and Gangad, Taluks Bavla, District Ahmedabad, Gujarat	Pharma and chemicals sector
29	8	J.B. SEZ Pvt. Ltd.	Village Panoli, Taluka- Ankleshwar, District-Bharuch, Gujrat	Pharmaceuticals
30	9	Myron Realtors Private Limited	Sanathal Junction, Taluka Sanand, District Ahmedabad, Gujarat	IT/ITES
31	10	Mexus Corporation Pvt. Ltd.	Chala, Ta. Pardi, Valsad District	Electronics Hardware, Software including IT/ITES
32	11	Gujarat Hydrocarbons and Power SEZ Limited-Kolkata	Village Vilayat, Taluka Vagra, District Bharuch Gujarat	Oil and gas
33	12	Akshaypatra Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd.	Village Agol Taluka Kadi, District, Mehsana, Gujarat	Food Processing
		<b>Haryana</b>		
34	1	Selecto Systems Pvt. Ltd.	15/1, Main Mathura Road, Faridabad, Haryana	IT
35	2	Pioneer Urban Land and Infrastructure Limited	Village Ghata, Gurgaon, Haryana	IT/ITES
36	3	Metro Valley Business Park Private Limited	Gurgaon – Faridabad Road, Opp. Ansals Valley View Apartments, Gurgaon, Haryana	IT
37	4	Ascendant Estates Private Limited	Bhondsi, Tehsil Sohna, District Gurgaon, Haryana	IT/ITES
38	5	G.P. Realtors Private Limited	Village Behrampur, District- Gurgaon, Haryana	IT/ITES
39	6	G.P. Realtors Private Limited	Village Beharampur Balola and Bandhwari, Tehsil Sohna, District-Gurgaon, Haryana.	IT/ITES
40	7	Mayar Infrastructure Development Pvt. Ltd.	Rahka and Nimoth Villages, Tehsil- Sohna, Gurgaon, Haryana	Biotechnology
41	8	DS Realetors Private Limited	District Gurgaon, Haryana	IT
42	9	Mittal Infratech Private Limited.	Sewah Village G T Road, Panipat District Haryana	IT/ITES
43	10	Perpetual Infracon Private Limited	Sector -81, Villages Budena & Faridabad, District Faridabad, Haryana	IT/ITES
44	11	Gracious Buildcon Private Limited	Sector 102, Village Kherkimajra, Tehsil and District Gurgaon, Haryana	IT/ITES
45	12	Goldsook International Gems & Jewellery SEZ Pvt. Ltd.	Village Bhondsi, Tehsil- Sohna, Gurgaon, Haryana	IT/ITES
46	13	Ansal Colours Engineering SEZ Limited	Village Bhagan, Tehsil- Ganaur (Sonepat) and Village Kurar Ibrahimpur, Tehsil- Sonepat, on National Highway, Haryana	Agro and Food Processing Products
47	14	Orient Craft Infrastructure Limited	Village Bans Hariya District Gurgaon, Haryana	IT/ITES
48	15	Mikado Realtors Private Limited	Village Behrampur and Balola, District-Gurgaon, Haryana	Electronic Hardware, IT/ITES
49	16	Natasha Housing & Urban Development Limited	Village Sarai Kohand, Tehsil Panipat, District Panipat and Village Kohand, Tehsil Gharonda, District Karnal, Haryana	Handicrafts
		<b>Jharkhand</b>		
50	1	Adityapur Industrial area development authority	Adityapur, District Seraikela-Kharsawan, Jharkhand	Automobiles and components



		<b>Karnataka</b>		
51	1	Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board (KIADB)	Villages Pajeer and Kairangala, District Mangalore Dakshina Kannada, Karnataka.	IT/ITES
52	2	Golden Gate Developers Pvt Ltd	Jala Hobli, Bangalore, Karnataka	IT/ ITES
53	3	Concord Investments (Banglore)	Banglore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
54	4	Ittina Properties Pvt. Ltd.	Bagur village, Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Banglore Rural District, Karnataka	Electronic Hardware and Software including IT/ITES
55	5	Bagmane Developers Pvt. Ltd.	Raman Nagar, KR Puram, Bangalore North, Karnataka	IT/ITES
56	6	Gopalan Enterprises (India) Private Limited.	Hoodi Village, K.R. Puram, Whitefield, Bangalore, Karnataka.	IT/IT enabled services
57	7	Opto Infrastructure Limited	Village kallahalli, Taluka Nanjungud, District Mysore, Karnataka	Electronic Hardware and Software including IT/ITES
58	8	High Street Developers Private Limited	Srirangapatna Taluk, Mandya District, Karnataka	IT/ITES
59	9	Brigade Enterprises Pvt.Ltd.	Ganjimutt, EPIP Industrial Area, Taluka Mangalore, Dakshin Kannada District, Karnataka	IT/ITES
60	10	Opto Infrastructure Limited	Village Dodda Basavanahalli and Chikkabasavanahalli, Talukas Shanthigrama Hobli and Hassan, District Hassan, Karnataka	Electronic Hardware and Software including IT/ITES
61	11	Renaissance Designbuild Private Limited	Plot No. 47 of Koorgally Industrial Area, Village Koorgally, Hobli Ilawala, Taluka Mysore, Distt. Mysore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
62	12	Gulf Oil Corporation Limited	Village Kattigenahalli and Venkatala, Hobli Yelahanka, District Bangalore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
63	13	Gopalan Enterprises India Pvt. Ltd.	Kundalahalli and Nallurahalli villages K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore, Karnataka	Biotech
64	14	Brooke Bond Real Estates Private Limited	Bangalore, Karnataka	IT/ITES/BPO/EH
65	15	Poornimadevi Tech Park Private Limited	Sulikere village, Kengari Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
66	16	Gopalan E-Park	Village Koorgalli, Itwala, Hobli, Mysore Taluk, Mysore District, Karnataka	Electronic Hardware and Software including ITES
67	17	Infosys Technologies Limited	Villages Borgunte, surjapur and billapur, Taluka Anekal, District Bangalore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
68	18	Wipro Limited	Kodathi village, Varthur Hobli, Sarjapur Road, Bangalore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
69	19	Wipro Limited	Belagola Industrial Area, Mogarhalli village, Belagola Hobli, Srirangapatna Taluk, Mandya District, Mysore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
70	20	Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board (KIADB)	Gamanagatti, Hubli Taluk, Dharwad District, Karnataka	IT/ITES
71	21	ISPRL FTWZ Padur (Indian Strategic Petroleum Reserves Ltd.)	Padur, Karnataka	FTWZ
72	22	Manipal ETA Infotech Limited	Agara and Jakkasandra village, Begur Hobli, Bengaluru, Karnataka	Electronic Hardware and Software including IT/ITES
73	23	Jubilant Infrastructure Limited	Kallahalli village, Nanjangud Taluk, Mysore District, Karnataka	Biotech (Pharma)
74	24	Infosys Limited	Gokul Village, within the limits of Hobli, Hubli Taluk, District Dharwad, Near Airport Hubli, Karnataka	IT/ITES
75	25	Amin Properties LLP	Pujanahalli Village, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
76	26	Saltire Developers Private	Outer Ring Road, Rachanahalli Village,	IT/ITES

		Limited	Nagavara, Bangalore, Karnataka	
77	27	Infosys Limited	Electronic City, Doddathogur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
78	28	Bagmane Developers Pvt. Ltd.	Outer Ring Road, Doddanekundi Circle, Marathalli Post, Bengaluru, Karnataka	IT/ITES
79	29	Information Technology Park Limited	Sadarmangala Village, Sadaramangala Industrial Area, Whitefield, Bengaluru, Karnataka	IT/ITES
80	30	RGA Infrastructure	Chikkankannelli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
81	31	Embassy Property Developments Private Limited	Outer Ring Road, Rachenahalli Village, Bangalore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
82	32	Modern Asset (Phase – I)	Venkatala Village, Yelahanka Hobli, , Bangalore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
83	33	Modern Asset (Phase – II)	Venkatala Village, Yelahanka Hobli, , Bangalore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
84	34	Oracle India Private Limited	Kadubeesanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Outer Ring Road, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, Karnataka	IT/ITES
85	35	L&T Construction Equipment Limited (Reality Division) SEZ-I	Byatarayanapura Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangaluru North, Bangaluru, Karnataka	IT/ITES
86	36	L&T Construction Equipment Limited (Reality Division) SEZ-II	Byatarayanapura Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangaluru North, Bangaluru, Karnataka	IT/ITES
		<b>Kerala</b>		
87	1	Unitech Real Estate Project Ltd.	Village Kunnathunadu, Taluk Morkala Desam, Ernakulam, Kerala	IT/ITES
88	2	Parsvnath Infa Ltd	Village Aluva, Kerala	IT/ITES
89	3	Kerala State Information Technology Infrastructure Limited	Village Purakkad, Taluk Ambalappuzhe, Distt. Alappuzha, Kerala	IT/ITES
90	4	Kerala State Information Technology Infrastructure Limited	Village Eramam, Taluka Thaliparambu, District Kannur, Kerala.	IT/ITES
91	5	Kerala State Information Technology Infrastructure Limited	Village Cheemeni taluk Hosdurg Kasaragod Distt. Kerala	IT/ITES
92	6	Electronics Technolgy Parks-Kerala	Village Pallippuram, Trivandram Talik Trivandram, Kerala	IT/ITES
93	7	Electronics Technology Parks-Kerala	Village Andoorkonam, Taluk & District Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala	IT/ITES
94	8	Bluestar Realtors Private Limited	Village Thrikkakara North, Taluka Kanayannur, District Ernakulam, Kerala.	IT
95	9	Cochin International Airport Limited,	Angamali villages, Ernakulam, Kerala	Airport Based
96	10	Cochin Port Trust	Southern end of Willingdon Island, Survey No. 2578/4, 1166, Thoppumpady Ramesaram village, Cochin, Kerala	FTWZ
97	11	Electronics Technolgy Parks	Village Pallippuram & Veiloor, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala	IT/ITES
		<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>		
98	1	Madhya Pradesh State Electronics Development Corporation Limited	Ganga Malanpur Village, Tehsil and District Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh.	IT/ITES
99	2	Madhya Pradesh State Electronics Development Corporation (MPSEDC)	Village Purva, Jabalpur, Mahdya Pradesh	IT/ITES
100	3	Madhya Pradesh State Electronics Development Corporation (MPSEDC)	Badwai, Near Airport, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh	IT/ITES

101	4	MAN Industries(India) Limited	Indore, Madhya Pradesh	IT/ITES
102	5	Tata Consultancy Services Limited	Village Bada Bangarda & Tigariya Badshah, Madhya Pradesh	IT/ITES/BPO/KPO
103	6	Infosys Ltd.	Village tigariya Badshah, Indore, Madhya Pradesh	IT
104	7	M.P. Audyogik Kendra Vikas Nigam (Indore) Limited	Village Rangwasa, District Indore, Madhya Pradesh	Gems & Jewellery
105	8	Impetus Infotech (India) Private Limited	Village Badiyakima district Indore, Madhya Pradesh	IT/ITES
106	9	Chhindwara Plus Developers Ltd.	Tahsil Saurar, District Chhindwara, Madhya Pradesh	Multi Product
		<b>Maharashtra</b>		
107	1	Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation	Latur Industrial Area, District Latur, Maharashtra	Agro-processing
108	2	New Found Properties and Leasing Pvt. Ltd.	Trans Thane Creek Industrial Area, MIDC, Thane District, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
109	3	Mahindra and Mahindra Limited	Village Owale, Ghodbunder Road, District Thane, Maharashtra	Bio-technology
110	4	Kumar Builders Townshioip Ventures Pvt. Ltd.	Hinjewadi, Pune, Maharashtra	Electronics Hardware and Software including IT/ ITES
111	5	International Biotech Park Ltd.	Hinjawadi, Pune, Maharashtra	Biotech
112	6	Cornell Housing and Infrastructure Private Limited	Khari Village, Thane District, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
113	7	Bilcare Limited	Maujhe Pimpri Budruk, Taluka Khed, Rajgurunagar, District Pune, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
114	8	Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation Ltd.	Airoli Software Park, District Thane, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
115	9	Inspira Infra (Aurangabad) Ltd.	Plot No. C-22, MIDC, Shendre Five Star Industrial Area, District- Aurangabad, Maharashtra	Biotechnology
116	10	Navi Mumbai SEZ Private Limited	Kalamboli - Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra	Multi-services
117	11	Navi Mumbai SEZ Private Limited	Kalamboli - Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
118	12	Suyog Realtors Private Limited	Plot No. PL-23, IT Park, Butibori, District Nagpur, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
119	13	Navi Mumbai SEZ Pvt. Ltd. (NMSEZ)	Dronagiri, Maharashtra	Multi product
120	14	Persipina Developers Pvt. Ltd. (PDPL)	Village Bhokarpada, Panvel, District Raigarh, Maharashtra	Multi-services
121	15	Navi Mumbai SEZ Private Limited	Ulwe, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra	IT/ITES SEZ -A
122	16	Navi Mumbai SEZ Private Limited	Ulwe, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra	IT/ITES SEZ - B
123	17	Navi Mumbai SEZ Private Limited	Ulwe, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra	IT/ITES SEZ -C
124	18	Modern India Property Developers Limited	Village Khalapur, Taluka Khopoli District Raigad, Maharashtra	Electronic Hardware Software Incl. IT/ITES
125	19	DLF Info Park (Pune) Limited	Rajiv Gandhi Infotech Park, Phase-II, Village Hinjewadi and Mann, Taluka Mulshi, Pune Maharashtra	IT/ITES
126	20	Navi Mumbai SEZ Pvt. Ltd.	Village Ulwe, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra	Multi Services
127	21	Navi Mumbai SEZ Pvt. Ltd.	Village Ulwe, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra	Gems and Jewellery
128	22	Arshiya International Ltd.	Village Bori, Taluka & Distt. Nagpur, Maharashtra	FTWZ
129	23	Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT)	Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra	Port Based Multi Product
130	24	SEZ Bio-Tech Services Private Limited	Manjri Budruk, Taluka Haveli, District Pune, Maharashtra	Biotechnology
131	25	KRC Infrastructure and	Kharadi Village, Taluka –Haveli, District Pune,	IT/ITES

		Projects Private Limited (Jointly)	Maharashtra	
132	26	EON Kharadi Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd.	Khardi Village, Pune, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
133	27	Wipro Limited	Plot No. 2, MIDC, Phase – 1, Hinjewadi, Mulshi Taluka, Pune, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
134	28	Nalanda Shelter Pvt. Ltd.	Sr. No. 129(P), 130(P), 131(P), Near Rajiv Gandhi Infotech Park, Hinjewadi, Phase – 1, Pune, Maharashtra	IT/ITES
		<b>Manipur</b>		
135	1	Manipur IT SEZ Project Development Company Ltd	Imphal, Manipur	IT/ITES
		<b>Nagaland</b>		
136	1	H.N. Company	Dimapur, Nagaland	Multi Product
137	2	Nagaland Industrial Development Corporation Limited	Dimapur, Nagaland	Agro and Food Processing
		<b>Odisha</b>		
138	1	Orissa Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (IDCO)	Bhubasnewar, P.S.- Chandrasekharpur, District-Khurda, Odisha	IT/ITES
139	2	Orissa Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (IDCO)	Village Manoharpur (Kalinganagar Industrial Complex), P.S. - Duburi, Tehsil - Sukinda, District Jajpur, Odisha	Metallurgical based engineering, ancillary and downstream industries.
140	3	Tata Steel Special Economic Zone Limited	Gopalpur, District- Ganjam, Odisha	Multi Product
141	4	Saraf Agencies Pvt. Ltd.	Chhatrapur, District Ganjam, Odisha	Mineral Based Industries
		<b>Puducherry</b>		
142	1	Pondicherry Special Economic Zone Company Ltd	Sedarpur, Karasur, Puducherry	Multi Product
		<b>Punjab</b>		
143	1	Lark Projects Private Limited	Village Landra, Mohali, Punjab	Electronic hardware and software including ITES
144	2	Sukhm Infrastructure Pvt Ltd.	Mohali (SAS Nagar) District, Punjab	IT
		<b>Rajasthan</b>		
145	1	Somani Worsted Limited	Khushkera Industrial Area, Bhiwadi, Rajasthan	Electronics Hardware and Software/ ITES
146	2	Mansarovar Industrial Development Corporation	Kaparda, Jodhpur, Rajasthan	IT/ ITES
147	3	GENPACT INDIA	Jaipur, Rajasthan	Electronic Hardware and Software including IT/ ITES
148	4	RNB Infrastrucure Pvt. Ltd.	Bikaner, Rajasthan	Textile sector (in-principle approval was granted for woolen sector)
149	5	Mahindra World City (Jaipur) Limited	Village Kalwara, Tehsil Sanganer, District Jaipur, Rajasthan	Gems and Jewellery
150	6	Mahindra World City (Jaipur) Limited	village Kalwara, Tehsil Sanganer, District Jaipur, Rajasthan	IT/ITES
		<b>Tamil Nadu</b>		
151	1	State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu	Footwear Park, Irungattukottai, SIPCOT Industrial Park, Sriperumbudur Taluk, Kancheepuram District, Tamil Nadu	Footwear
152	2	Kanai Techonology Parks Pvt. Ltd.	Podavur Village, Sriperumbudur Taluk, Kanchipuram District, Tamil Nadu	Electronics hardware and software and ITES
153	3	SNP Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd.	Zamin Pallavaram Village, Tambaram Taluk, Kancheepuram District, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES

154	4	Rudradev Township Private Limited	Solankurini Village Madurai Taluk, Madurai District, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
155	5	Foxconn India Developer Private Limited	Santhavelore-B, Chittur Village, Sriperumbudur Taluk, Kancheepuram District, Tamil Nadu	Electronic Hardware
156	6	Electronics Corporation of Tamil Nadu Limited (ELCOT)	Gangikondan Village, Thrunelveli Taluk, Tirunelveli District, Tamil Nadu.	IT/ITES
157	7	Electronics Corporation of Tamil Nadu Limited (ELCOT)	Viswanathapuram Village, Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
158	8	Electronics Corporation of Tamil Nadu (ELCOT)	Jagir ammapalayam Village, Salem Taluk, Salem District, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
159	9	Electronics Corporation of Tamil Nadu Limited (ELCOT)	Kinnimangalam Village, Tirumangalam Taluk, Madurai II, Madurai District, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
160	10	Frontier Lifeline Pvt. Ltd.	Edur Village, Gummudipundi Taluk, Thiruvallur District, Tamil Nadu	Biotechnology sector
161	11	Jay Gee Hitech Infraventures Pvt. Ltd	Vengadu and Pennalur Village, Sriperumbudur Taluk, Kancheepuram District, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
162	12	Nagarjuna Oil Corporation Limited	Kayalpattu Village Cuddalore District, Tamil Nadu	Petrochemical/ Petroleum
163	13	State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu Limited (SIPCOT)	Bargur, Uthangarai and Pochampalli Taluk, Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu	Granite processing industries and other allied machinery/ manufacturing
164	14	Sterlite Industries (India) Limited	Village Therkku district Tuticorin, Tamil Nadu	Copper
165	15	PRP Granites Exports	Kalkurichi, Chandran Kulam and Mallankinari Villages, Kariyapati Taluk, Virudhnagar District, Tamil Nadu	Granite
166	16	V.V. Mineral	Thiruvambalapuram village, Radhapuram Taluk, Tirunelveli District, Tamil Nadu	Mineral and Mineral based Products
167	17	Cheyyar SEZ Developers Pvt. Ltd.	SIPCOT Industrial Growth Centre, Bargur, Uthangarai and Pochampalli Taluk, Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu	Footwear
168	18	Perungudi Real Estates Private Limited	OMR Road, Perungudi, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	IT/ITES
		<b>Telangana</b>		
169	1	Sanghi SEZ Private Limited	Village Koheda, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
170	2	Information Technology and Communication Department (IT and C), Government of Andhra Pradesh through Hyderabad Urban Development Authority (HUDA)	Kokapet Village, Serilingampalli Mandal, Ranga Reddy District Telangana	IT/ITES
171	3	Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructural Corporation Ltd.(APIIC)	Karkapatla Village, Mulugu Mandal, Medak District, Telangana	Biotechnology
172	4	Brahmani Infratech Private Limited	Mamidipalli Village, Sarroornagar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
173	5	Emaar Hills Township Private Limited	Manikonda Village, Rajendranagar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
174	6	Rudradev Infopark Pvt. Ltd.	Kistapur & Antharam Villages, Chevella Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
175	7	Mahaveer Skyscrapers Limited	Chevella village, Besides Faraha Engineering College, Ranga Reddy District Telangana	IT/ITES
176	8	Maytas Enterprises SEZ Private Limited	Gopanpally Village, Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District Telangana	IT/ITES
177	9	Genpact India Business Processing Private Limited	Jawaharnagar Village, Shameerpet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Hyderabad, Telangana	IT/ITES
178	10	V. R. Enterprises	Ananthasagar Village, Hasanparthy Mandal, Warangal District, Telangana	IT/ITES

179	11	GMR Hyderabad International Airport Limited	GMR Hyderabad International Airport, Shamshadbad, Hyderabad District, Telangana	Airport based Multi product
180	12	Parsvnath SEZ Limited	Phase - III, Biotechnology Park, Village Karkapatla, Mandal Mulugu, District Medak, Telangana	Biotechnology
181	13	Cognizant Technology Solutions India Pvt. Ltd.	Survey No. 255, Adibatla Village, Ibrahimpatnam Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
182	14	Ananth Technologies Limited	Kancha Imarat, Raviryal village, Mashweram Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
183	15	Lahari Infrastructure Limited	Shankarpally Village, Shankarpally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	Biotechnology
184	16	Madhusheel Infra Projects Private Limited	Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
185	17	Suchirindia Infrastructure Private Limited	Turkapally village, Shameerpet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	Biotechnology
186	18	Radiant Corporation Private Limited	Muppireddypally Village, Telangana	Electronic Hardware and Software and related activities
187	19	Aqua Space Developers Pvt. Ltd.	Raidurg Panmaktha village, Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
188	20	ValueLabs Infra LLP	Kokapet Village, Rajender Nagar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
189	21	GAR Corporation Private Limited	Sy. No. 107, Kokapet Village, Rajendranagar Mandal, Telangana	IT/ITES
190	22	Cognizant Technologies Services Private Limited	Nanakramguda Village, Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
191	23	Phoenix Embassy Tech Zone Pvt. Ltd.	Nanakramguda Village, Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
192	24	Phoenix Living Spaces Pvt. Ltd.	Ameenpur Village, Patancheru Mandal, Medak District, Telangana	IT/ITES
193	25	Vaxenic India Private Limited	Kolthur village, Shameerpet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	Biotechnology & Bio-Pharmaceuticals
194	26	GAR Corporation Private Limited	Kokapet Village, Gandipet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
195	27	GAR Corporation Private Limited	Kokapet Village, Gandipet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
196	28	Phoenix Embassy Tech Zone Private Limited	Nanakramguda Village, Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
197	29	Phoenix Embassy Tech Zone Private Limited	Manikonda Village, Rajendra Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
198	30	Devbhumi Realtors Private Limited	Raidurg, Panmakththa Village, Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
199	31	Phoenix IT City Private Limited	Survey No. 53/Paiki/Part, Gachibowli Village, Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
200	32	Phoenix Spaces Private Limited	Survey No. 285, Puppalaguda Village, Rajendranagar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
201	33	Phoenix Spaces Private Limited	Survey No. 286 and 287, Puppalaguda Village, Rajendranagar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
202	34	BSR Builders LLP	Nanakramguda Village, Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
203	35	Phoenix Ventures Private Limited	Gachibowli Village, Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy, Telangana	IT/ITES
		<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>		
204	1	OSE Infrastructure Limited	Plot No. 001, Block C, Sector 67, Noida, Uttar Pradesh	IT
205	2	Unitech Infra-con Limited	Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh	IT/ITES
206	3	Perfect IT SEZ Private Limited	Plot No.6, Sector 144, Noida Uttar Pradesh	IT/ITES
207	4	Uppals IT Projects Pvt. Limited	Greater Noida, District Gautam Budh Nagar,	Electronic hardware and

			Uttar Pradesh	software including IT/ITES
208	5	Unitech Hi-tech Projects Private Limited	Plot No. 1, Sector 144, Noida, Uttar Pradesh	IT/ITES
209	6	Hari Fertilizers Limited (Jhunjhunwala Vanaspati Ltd.)	Sahupuri, Distt. Chandauli, Uttar Pradesh	Multi services SEZ with FTWZ and 25 MW Captive Power Plant
210	7	Uttar Pradesh State Industrial Development Corporation (UPSIDC)	Bhadohi, District Sant Ravidas Nagar, Uttar Pradesh	Carpet and Handicrafts
211	8	Gallant Infrastructure Private Limited	Plot No. 202, Sector KP-V, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh	IT/ITES
212	9	Jubilant Infracon Private Limited	Plot No. 3, Sector 140A, Noida, Uttar Pradesh	IT/ITES
213	10	Diamond IT Infracon Pvt. Limited	Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh	IT
214	11	Golden Tower Infratech Pvt. Ltd.	Noida, Uttar Pradesh	IT/ITES
215	12	Infosys Limited	Sector -85, Noida, District Gautam Budh Nagar, Uttar Pradesh	IT/ITES
216	13	UP State Industrial Development Corporation (UPSIDC)	Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh	Textile and broad banded product
217	14	UP State Industrial Development Corporation (UPSIDC)	Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh	IT/ITES/Electronic Components & Hardware manufacturing
		<b>West Bengal</b>		
218	1	Enfield Infrastructure Limited	Chandpur Champagachi, near Rajarhat (24 pgnos. North), West Bengal	IT/ITES
219	2	Enfield Infrastructure Ltd.	Uttar Gazipur, South 24 Parganas (earlier Kalyani) West Bengal	IT/ ITES
220	3	Bengal Shriram Hi-tech City Pvt Ltd.	Utarpara, Kolkata, West Bengal	IT/ITES cum auto ancillary software development

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LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2321  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

**INDIA'S TRADE WITH VENEZUELA**

**2321. SHRI M. CHANDRAKASI:**

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

- the details of India's trade with Venezuela in terms of money value of both imports and exports during the last three years;
- the present position of India's trade relations with Venezuela against the backdrop of balance of payments due from the country to India at present; and
- the steps being taken to overcome problems affecting trade relations with the country and to further increase bilateral trade towards mutual benefits?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

**(a).** The details of India's trade with Venezuela in terms of money value during the last three years are as under:-

(Value: US\$ Million)

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Exports	258.07	130.66	62.23
Imports	11,729.89	5,701.81	5,512.06
Total Trade	11,987.96	5,832.47	5,574.29

(Source: DGCI&S, Kolkata)

**(b) & (c).** Venezuela is one of India's largest trading partners in the LAC region. The balance of trade has been in favour of Venezuela as India's imports of crude oil dominate the trade basket. India's imports from Venezuela have not gone down in terms of volume while there has been reduction in value due to fall in global crude oil prices. Exports from India to Venezuela have declined as Venezuela has been passing through



a major financial crisis for the last few years and they have strong controls on usage of foreign exchange which has also led to problems in repatriation of income earned to home country. The issue of resolving outstanding payments due to Indian companies has been taken up with Venezuelan Government. There has been no response from Venezuela. In order to strengthen India's exports to Venezuela, products in which India holds export competence are targeted.

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LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2324  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

**EXPORT OF BASMATI RICE**

**2324. SHRI DEEPENDER SINGH HOODA:**

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

- whether the export of Basmati Rice from the country has declined considerably since May 2014 to till date;
- if so, the details thereof and the reasons for this decline in the said exports;
- the steps taken by the Government to resume normal exports through the Ministry and other channels along with the outcome thereof;
- the details of all major importers of Basmati rice along with the quantum of Basmati rice imported for the last five years and the current year; and
- the details of other basmati rice exporting countries which are supplying Basmati rice same as Indian quality and standards?

**ANSWER**

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(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) & (b) The details of India's export of Basmati rice, from the year 2014-15 onwards, are as under:

Quantity: lakh MT; Value: USD Million

2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18 (Apr-May)	
Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
36.99	4516.28	40.46	3477.98	40.00	3222.26	7.96	791.66

Source: DGCI&S

As reflected in the above data, while there has been some decline in value terms, the quantity exported during 2015-16 and 2016-17 is actually higher as compared to 2014-15. This indicates that the decline in value of exports is solely due to decline in international prices of Basmati rice.

- Normal exports have been continuing, as reflected in the data on quantity of export of Basmati rice. However, promoting exports of agricultural commodities, including Basmati rice, is a continuous process. The Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), an autonomous organisation under the administrative control of Department of Commerce, has been mandated with the export promotion of Basmati rice. APEDA has been able to register Basmati Rice as a Geographical Indication (GI) in February 2016. APEDA, in collaboration with the trade, has also established Basmati Export Development Foundation

(BEDF), which undertakes various activities for development and export promotion of Basmati rice. Moreover, APEDA has also been providing assistance to the Basmati rice exporters under the various components of its scheme 'Agriculture Export Promotion Scheme of APEDA'.

- (d) The details in respect of the 10 largest importers of Basmati rice from India, for the last five years and the current year, are at Annexure-I.
- (e) Besides India, Pakistan is the only producer and exporter of Basmati rice.

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**10 Largest Importers of Basmati Rice from India**

Quantity in lakh MT; Value in USD Million

Country	2012-13		2013-14		2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18 (April - May)	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Saudi Arabia	6.81	672.64	8.26	1108.90	9.67	1188.23	9.49	842.22	8.12	673.14	1.17	114.64
Iran	10.82	1187.23	14.40	1834.55	9.36	1108.50	6.95	571.19	7.19	566.87	2.54	250.09
UAE	2.35	240.42	1.48	196.51	2.79	314.76	6.12	475.18	6.16	468.68	0.60	62.63
Iraq	2.04	196.73	2.20	271.14	2.35	259.13	4.18	340.97	4.57	339.91	1.25	126.98
Kuwait	1.63	194.73	1.76	247.95	1.66	250.53	1.81	211.68	1.63	149.47	0.24	23.75
U S A	0.92	103.18	1.03	143.86	0.89	132.30	1.21	131.55	1.09	112.84	0.18	21.25
Yemen	1.72	161.11	1.47	183.94	1.74	196.15	1.42	110.49	1.31	103.58	0.27	24.41
U K	1.92	156.08	1.19	130.73	1.36	147.63	1.88	143.14	1.52	102.39	0.25	19.54
Oman	0.40	44.88	0.43	58.63	0.56	68.83	1.05	92.84	0.83	75.72	0.14	16.42
Qatar	0.61	73.59	0.30	43.14	1.24	187.09	0.24	25.07	0.82	72.49	0.12	13.63

Source: APEDA/agriXchange

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2335(H)**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**STUDY REGARDING EXPORT COMPETITIVENESS**

**2335(H). SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted/proposes to conduct any study regarding export competitiveness of various States of the country;
- (b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) the other measures taken/being taken to increase the export competitiveness of various States?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a), (b) & (c): No, Madam. The State Governments are encouraged to prepare their own individual export strategy based on their major items of Exports and to identify new items having the potential for exports, based on their competitiveness. This includes Export Promotion measures to be taken up at the State level to improve its competitiveness. Support for such studies to help the State formulate its own export strategy are provided by the department, on a case by case basis.

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2338**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**E-MARKET PORTAL**

**2338. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:**

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to use its e-Market portal (GeM) for transparent and open platform to get buyers more choice and sellers including micro & small scale manufacturers to get benefits in doing business; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the number of sellers registered on the GeM portal along with the list of products?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
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(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): As on date 21107 Sellers & Service Providers have listed 55898 products in 807 product categories and in 2 service categories. The list of products available on GeM can be seen on the GeM portal [www.gem.gov.in](http://www.gem.gov.in).

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2343**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**SETTING UP OF IIFT**

**2343. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:**

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

- (a) whether Government proposes to set up Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT) in Andhra Pradesh; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the progress till date, proposed location of the institute and the projected timeline for setting up the institute?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a) &(b): Yes, Madam. The Government has made a proposal to establish Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT) in Andhra Pradesh. For this purpose, the Government of Andhra Pradesh has allotted 25 acres of land in Plot (A) i.e. No.247 in Kakinada SEZ (Phase-I developed area) and possession of the same has also been taken by the Institute. The Detailed Project Report shall be now prepared and other steps taken to start construction of the campus.

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(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2363(H)**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**EXPORT OF LIVESTOCK**

**2363(H). SHRI HARINARAYAN RAJBHAR:**

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

- (a) the total quantum of livestock being exported from the country at present;
- (b) whether the country is exporting beef also and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the State-wise detail of the livestock exported during the last three years from the country including Uttar Pradesh?

**ANSWER**

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(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a): The total quantum of livestock exported from the country during the financial years 2016-17 and 2017-18 (Up to April, 2017) was 12,02,841 nos. and 53,490 nos. respectively.
- (b): No, Madam. As per the existing Foreign Trade Policy, export of beef (meat of cows, oxen and calf) is prohibited and not permitted to be exported.
- (c): The State-wise details of livestock export is not maintained.

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LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2388  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

**QUALITY OF CHINESE PRODUCTS**

**2388. DR. UDIT RAJ:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has warned China that it may introduce standards for variety of products and subsequently restrict Chinese imports of non-essential items if they fall short of Indian quality norms and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of items proposed to be listed in non-essential category;
- (c) whether any reaction has been received from the Chinese side in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to ensure the quality and standards of the imported items from China and other countries?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

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(a) to (c): All goods imported into India are subject to domestic laws, rules, orders, regulations, technical specification, environment and safety norms, that are notified from time to time. There is no proposal at present to restrict imports of products, that otherwise satisfy the aforesaid conditions, including meeting the prescribed technical standards.

(d): The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) formulates standards applicable to domestic products and also mandates the use of Standard Marks under a license which *mutadis mutandis* also apply to imported goods. Products have been notified under compulsory certification/registration with one of the objectives of checking influx of substandard products into Indian markets. Presently, there are 109 products covered under Compulsory Product Certification Scheme of BIS and 30 Electronic and IT Goods under Compulsory Registration Scheme of BIS. Till now, 204 licensees have been issued to Chinese manufacturers for Steel products, Electrical products, Tyres & Tubes etc. as per Product Certification Scheme of BIS. Also, 4636 manufacturers have been granted registrations for Electronic and IT Goods as per Compulsory Registration Scheme of BIS. As member of WTO. India's regulations apply to all members equally.

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2389**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION OF RUBBER**

**2389. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE:**

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

- whether there has been an increase in the consumption of rubber especially due to rise in the demand of automobile sector recently;
- if so, the details thereof including the extent to which demand is met by domestic production;
- whether the Tyre Manufacturing Industry has requested the Government to curtail import duty on natural rubber;
- if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- the efforts made by the Government to enhance the production of natural rubber and artificial rubber in the country?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
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(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a) & (b). Consumption of Natural Rubber (NR) has increased from 994,415 tonne in 2015-16 to 1044,075 tonne in 2016-17 mainly due to rise in the demand of auto tyre sector. The details are as under:

Consumption of NR (Tonne)

	2015-16	2016-17 (Provisional)	Growth (%)
Auto Tyre Sector	663,495	707,335	6.6
Non-Tyre sector	330,920	336,740	1.8
Total	994,415	1044,075	5.0

Production of NR in the country in 2016-17 was 691,000 tonne (provisional) against the consumption of 1044075 tonne of NR in tyre and non-tyre sectors.

- (c) & (d) There have been demands from Tyre Manufacturing Industry to rectify the duty structure as the Basic Customs Duty on Tyre is 10% as against that of Natural Rubber duty is 25% or Rs. 30/kg. whichever is lower. The matter was examined in the Department and in view of the prevailing situation of the rubber sector the proposal was not agreed to.

- (e) In order to increase production of Natural Rubber in the country the Government through the Rubber Board is implementing the scheme “Sustainable and Inclusive Development of Natural Rubber Sector” wherein support is provided for plantation development and extension, strengthening research, technology upgradation and market development, Human resource development etc. So far as artificial/synthetic rubber is concerned, Chemical & Petrochemical Industry is delicensed and decontrolled and Government acts as facilitator in this sector.

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2396**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**BRANDING STRATEGY FOR EXPORT ORIENTED INDIAN PRODUCTS**

**2396. SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY**

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

- (a) whether the Government has reviewed the branding strategy for exportoriented Indian products and services;
- (b) if so, the number and details of modes of branding campaigns which have been identified and given a try;
- (c) whether any roadmap has been drawn for participation in International Trade Fairs, Expos and Seminars for the next three years; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the expected target of earnings from taking part in these events?

**ANSWER**

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(a) & (b): India's Foreign Trade Policy Statement released in 2015 emphasises the need of a branding strategy. The India Brand Equity Foundation (IBEF) established by the Department of Commerce works closely with stakeholders across government and industry to promote and create international awareness of the Indian products and services in overseas markets. IBEF has undertaken focused branding activities for sectors namely engineering, pharma, plantations (tea, coffee and spices), services, textiles and leather. This is done through a 360° branding approach including onsite branding, advertising in media, digital marketing including social media, PR, knowledge kits and revamping the websites of many export promotion councils. IBEF actively works with Indian missions abroad for its branding activities in overseas events and also supports them with knowledge works and branding collaterals.

(c) & (d): Department of Commerce encourages participation of exporters, export promotion councils, trade associations etc. in International Trade Fairs, Expos etc. India Trade Promotion Organization (ITPO) is the trade promotion agency of the Department of Commerce. ITPO has finalized participation in 31 overseas exhibitions for 2017-18. Based on the proposals submitted by the Export Promotion Councils/Trade Promotion Organizations, an annual plan for organizing participation of exporters in various international fairs and expos is drawn and supported under the Market Access Initiative (MAI) scheme by Department of Commerce. 255 proposals for export promotion activities/events in India and abroad for 2017-18 have been approved for assistance under MAI scheme. No targets of earning from such events are fixed.

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LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2401 (H)  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

**TRADE TIES WITH CHINA**

**2401(H). SHRI KIRTI AZAD:**

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

- the current status of trade between India and China in view of the increase in imports by China;
- whether India has improved its trade ties with China and increased its export; and
- if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
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(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) to (c): Details of trade and trade deficit with China during last two years and the current year upto May 2017 are given below: -

**Bilateral Trade between India and China during 2015-16 to 2016-17 and the current year**

*Value in US\$ Billion*

Year	Import	Export	Total Trade	Trade Deficit
2015-16	61.70	9.01	70.71	52.69
2016-17	61.28	10.19	71.47	51.09
2017-18 ((Apr to May)*)	11.83	1.73	13.56	10.10

\*Provisional

(Source; DGCI&S)

From above table, it may be seen that India's trade with China during 2016-17 grew marginally from US\$ 70.71 billion to US\$ 71.47 billion. During this period, India's exports to China grew by 13% (approximately) from US\$ 9.01 billion to US\$ 10.19 billion while India's imports from

China dropped marginally by 0.7% (approximately) to US\$ 61.28 billion from US\$ 61.70 billion resulting in a marginal dip in India's trade deficit with China by 3% (approximately).

Seeking greater market access for Indian goods has been an ongoing process with China, on a continuous basis.

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LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2402  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

**GROWTH IN GOODS EXPORTS**

**2402. SHRIMATI VANAROJA R.:**

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

- whether it is a fact that India's goods exports recorded positive growth for the fifth consecutive months with a rise in shipments in January this year;
- if so, the details thereof;
- whether it is also true that the slowdown in global trade continues to impact India as well and if so, the details thereof;
- whether it is also true that the uncertainties in global economy are expected to pose challenges for exports in 2017; and
- if so, the details thereof along with the steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

**ANSWER**

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(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

**(a) & (b):** The value of India's merchandise exports during last six months is as follows:

Months	Value of exports (US\$ Billions)		% growth over corresponding month of previous year
	2016*	2017*	
January	21.20	22.29	5.13
February	20.85	25.54	22.54
March	22.91	29.14	27.20
April	20.89	24.62	17.85
May	22.40	24.01	7.20
June	22.66	23.56	3.97
<b>Total of six months</b>	<b>130.90</b>	<b>149.16</b>	<b>13.95</b>

Source: DGCI&S, Kolkata, (\* Provisional)

The above data reflect that India's merchandise exports recorded positive growth during the last six months as compared to the exports of corresponding month of previous year.

**(c) to (e):** Though India has registered a positive growth rate in merchandise exports for the last ten months consecutively since August, 2016, the slowdown in global trade may continue to impact India during 2017 due to the following reasons

- i. Fall in global demand and fall in commodity prices, impacting terms of trade for commodity exporters.
- ii. Fall in the prices of petroleum crude resulting in consequent decline in prices as well as export realizations for petroleum products, which are major terms of exports for India.
- iii. Fall in demand of precious goods like Pearls, Precious and Semi-Precious stones, especially from oil producing countries.

The Government has taken the following steps to boost India's exports and to face the challenges that may pose for exports in the year 2017:

- (i) The New **Foreign Trade Policy (2015-20)** was announced on 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2015 with a focus on supporting both manufacturing and services exports.
- (ii) The **Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS)** has been introduced in the Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2015-20 on 01.04.2015 with the objective to offset infrastructural inefficiencies and associated costs involved in exporting goods/products which are produced/ manufactured in India and to provide a level playing field to Indian exporters, especially those having high export intensity and employment potential. The Scheme incentivizes exporters in terms of freely transferable Duty Credit Scrips which are transferable and can be used to pay certain Central duties/taxes including customs duties. The Scheme covers exports of 7914 tariff lines at 8 digit levels to all countries.
- (iii) The **Services Exports from India Scheme (SEIS)** has been introduced in the Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2015-20 on 01.04.2015. The Scheme provides rewards at the rate of 3 to 5% on Net Foreign Exchange earnings, to service providers of notified services from India to rest of the world, in the form of Duty Credit Scrips which are transferable and can be used to pay certain Central duties/taxes including customs duties.
- (iv) The Government has implemented the **Niryat Bandhu Scheme** with an objective to reach out to the new and potential exporters including exporters from Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) and mentor them through orientation programmes, counseling sessions, individual facilitation etc., on various aspects of foreign trade for being able to get into international trade and boost exports from India.
- (v) As part of the "**Ease of Doing Business**" initiatives, the Government has launched **Single Window Interface for Facilitating Trade (SWIFT)** clearances project w.e.f 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2016. The scheme enables the importers/exporters to file a common electronic 'Integrated Declaration' on the Indian Customs Electronic Commerce/Electronic Data Interchange (EC/EDI) Gateway i.e. ICEGATE portal. The Integrated Declaration

compiles the information requirements of Customs, FSSAI, Plant Quarantine, Animal Quarantine, Drug Controller, Wild Life Control Bureau and Textile Committee. It replaces nine separate forms required by these 6 different agencies and Customs.

- (vi) **Interest Equalization Scheme on pre & post shipment credit** was launched to provide cheaper credit to exporters.
- (vii) A new scheme called **Special Advance Authorisation Scheme** for export of articles of Apparel and Clothing Accessories was introduced w.e.f. 1st September 2016 wherein exporters are entitled for an authorisation for fabrics including inter lining on pre-import basis and all industry rate of Duty Drawback for non-fabric inputs on the exports.
- (viii) Further, the Government continues to provide the facility of access to duty free raw materials and capital goods for exports through schemes like Advance Authorization, Duty Free Import Authorization (DFIA), Export Promotion Capital Goods (EPCG) and drawback / refund of duties.
- (ix) The Government launched a new scheme called **Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES)** w.e.f. 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2017 with the objective to enhance export competitiveness by bridging gaps in export infrastructure, creating focused export infrastructure, first mile and last mile connectivity for export oriented projects and addressing quality and certification measures. The Central and State Agencies, including Export Promotion Councils, Commodities Boards, SEZ Authorities and Apex Trade Bodies recognised under the EXIM policy of Government of India are eligible for financial support under this scheme.
- (x) The Government has approved the proposal for notification of commitments under the **Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA)** of World Trade Organization (WTO), ratification and acceptance of the Instrument of Acceptance of Protocol of TFA to the WTO Secretariat and constitution of the National Committee on Trade Facilitation (NCTF). The Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA) contains provisions for expediting the movement, release and clearance of goods, including goods in transit. It also sets out measures for effective cooperation between customs and other appropriate authorities on trade facilitation and customs compliance issues. These objectives are in consonance with India's "Ease of Doing Business" initiative.

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2413**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**UNWP 29 AGREEMENT, 1958**

**2413. SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR JENA:**

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

- (a) the details of Ministry's stand on joining the UN WP 29 Agreement 1958 on harmonization of global technical regulations;
- (b) the details of technical and commercial issues which are to be considered prior to joining the agreement and whether they will be altered in case the Government decides to sign the agreement and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of advantages and disadvantages to India once the country enters into the agreement;
- (d) whether India is considering the inclusion of Global Technical Standards into its regulatory system and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the steps which are being taken to be aligned with global standards?

**ANSWER**

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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a): Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has informed that it has reviewed India's position regarding the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) 1958 "Agreement Concerning the Adoption of Uniform Technical Prescriptions for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be fitted and/or be used on Wheeled Vehicles and the Conditions for Reciprocal Recognition of Approvals Granted on the Basis of these Prescriptions", with the stake holders. Possible benefits for India from this Agreement and concerns were examined.

(b): UN ECE 1958 Agreement has been recently revised and would come into force later in 2017. Once the revised 1958 Agreement is established, further detailed study would be needed for the techno commercial impact, obligations and rights of the Agreement involving the stakeholders. Some of the important areas required to be looked into to before joining 1958 Agreement are India's transportation needs; availability of affordable

suitable technology to make progress in safe and green road transportation; infrastructure requirements related to test facilities for mandatory testing and certification of vehicles, vehicle systems and components etc.

(c): Mutual acceptance of approval under 1958 agreement would give better opportunity for exports for India. However, at this moment India is net importer in automotive sector. Exports by Indian manufactures are mainly to other developing regions and not substantially to those countries who are signatories to 1958 agreement.

(d): Even if India is not a signatory to UN ECE 1958 Agreement, UN Regulations, which are formulated under this agreement, form strong basis of automotive regulatory requirements in India. Similarly, under UN ECE 1998 Agreement, Global Technical Regulation (GTRs) on vehicles are formulated. India is signatory to this particular agreement (1998 Agreement) since 2006 and India is committed for transposition of GTRs into national regulations after examining their relevance and suitability in the Indian context.

(e) : In view of answer to (d) above, the question does not arise.

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LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2429 (H)  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

**REVIVAL OF CLOSED TEA GARDENS**

**2429(H). DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:**

**SHRI MD. BADARUDDOZA KHAN:**

**SHRI KANWAR SINGH TANWAR:**

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

- (a) the details of closed tea gardens in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the tea producers have suffered great losses due to closure of tea gardens in Darjeeling and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for closing the tea gardens;
- (c) whether the decrease in tea production is likely to affect domestic market and exports and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes any scheme to provide subsidy or incentive to the tea producers to avoid loss and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has chalked out any programme to revive the closed tea gardens in the country including those in Darjeeling and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
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(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a): There are twelve tea gardens closed in the country at present. The details are given in the Annexure.
- (b) & (c) :Only one tea garden ( Panighata) is closed in the Darjeeling district because of labour unrest due to non-payment of workers dues. Recent suspension of operations in the tea gardens in Darjeeling hills due to strike since 09.06.2017 onwards has resulted in loss of revenue due to stoppage of manufacture and sale of the high quality second flush teas that generate substantial export revenue.
- (d)&(e): Tea Board through the "Tea Development & Promotion Scheme" extends financial assistance to the tea estates in the country including Darjeeling for undertaking activities which inter-alia includes new planting, replanting, rejuvenation, pruning, irrigation, field mechanization etc. The Central Government is in active coordination with the concerned State Government to make the tea gardens functional.

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**ANNEXURE****State wise details of closed tea gardens in the country**

Sl. No.	Name of the T.E	State	Date of Closure	Current status
1	Dheklapara T.E	West Bengal	11.03.2006	The estate was officially liquidated by the Hon'ble Calcutta High Court. The garden was put up for e-auction by the Hon'ble Calcutta High Court (Official Liquidator) on 11 <sup>th</sup> May,2012, but no prospect buyer was available
2	Bundapani T.E		13.07.2013	The State Govt. has taken possession of the land of the closed Bundapani T.E on 15th Oct,2014, on expiry of lease of land.
3	Dharanipur T.E		19.10.2013	The State Govt. has taken possession of the land of the closed Dharanipur T.E on 18th Nov, 2014.
4	Redbank T.E		19.10.2013	The State Govt. has taken possession of the land of the closed Redbank T.E on 21st Nov,2014, on expiry of lease of land.
5	Surendranagar T.E		19.10.2013	The State Government has cancelled the Land Lease of Surendra Nagar T.E by an order dated 14/11/2014 and the Land has been taken over by the state Government on 13.01.2015
6	Madhu T.E		23.09.2014	As per un official information , the process of sale of the property is under process
7.	Panighata		10.10.2015	Labour unrest due to non-payment of workers dues etc.
8	Manabari		21.03.2016	Labour unrest due to non-payment of workers dues etc.
9.	Kumlai		15-11-2015	Labour unrest dueto non settlement of labour dues etc.
10.	M/s Peermade Tea Co. Ltd.- Peermade&Lonetree T.E.	Kerala	01.04.2016	Labour unrest dueto non settlement of labour dues etc. The Govt. of Kerala is in the process of reopening of the estate.
11.	M/s MMJ Plantations- Kottamala&Bonami T.E		23.12.2013/ 11.10.2014	The company has got a stay order from the Kerala High Court prohibiting action against the company presently under Tea Act.
12	Bonaccord		05.03.2015	Estate Management has abandoned the estate due to financial crisis. The name of this garden is included in the list since recently a communication has been received from the Govt. of Kerala.
<b>Total 12 closed tea gardens</b>				

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2432**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**EXPORT OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES**

**2432. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR HANSDAK:**

**SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:**

**SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:**

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

- (a) whether as per Horticultural Report 2016, India is the second largest producer in the world of fruits and Vegetables and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether India has recently emerged as one of the largest exporter of fruits and vegetables and if so, the details thereof along with the details of fruit and vegetable exports from the country during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether the export of fruits and vegetables has come down in the current financial year in comparison to previous two years and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has any data of area-specific production of fruits that are exported out of the country particularly from Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof along with the measures taken to enhance the exports of fruits and vegetables from the country;
- (e) whether the Government is contemplating to provide assistance to the grapes farmers especially to those belonging to Nasik district for direct export to foreign countries and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) whether various countries have stopped the import of a number of fruits and vegetables from India or issued any warning in this regard and if so, the details thereof along with the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

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- (a) As per 'Horticultural Statistics at a Glance 2016', published by the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, India is the second largest producer of fruit and vegetables in the world. As per FAOSTAT data for the year 2014, India's share in the production of Fruits (excluding Melons) was 12.83% and for production of Vegetables & Melons, India's share was 10.82%.

- (b) India is not a major exporter of fruits and vegetables. As per UN COMTRADE data for 2016, India's share of world export of fruits and vegetables was only about 1.5%. Details of India's exports of fruits and vegetables, during the last three years and the current year, are as under:

Value in USD Million

Commodity	Unit	2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18 (Apr - May 2017)	
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Fruits / Vegetable Seeds	Kgs	12499306	69.96	13104108	80.89	11638461	78.86	1053564	21.92
Fresh Fruits	Ton	539227	516.26	654659	635.49	820317	750.90	176026	166.99
Fresh Vegetables	Ton	2081802	763.24	2104359	799.93	3389795	860.29	497737	120.63
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>1349.46</b>		<b>1516.31</b>		<b>1690.05</b>		<b>309.54</b>

Source: DGCI&S

- (c) Comparison of India's exports of fruits & vegetables during the current year (Apr – May 2017), with the exports for the corresponding periods during the previous two years, is as under:

Value in USD Million

2015-16 (Apr-May 2015)	2016-17 (Apr-May 2016)	2017-18 (Apr-May 2017)
245.89	293.38	309.54

Source: DGCI&S

The value of exports during the current year (Apr-May 2017) has increased as compared to the corresponding periods during the previous two years.

- (d) State-wise data for exports is not maintained. Promoting exports of fruits and vegetables is a continuous process. The Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), an autonomous organisation under the administrative control of Department of Commerce, has been mandated with the export promotion of fruits and vegetables. APEDA has been providing assistance to the exporters of fruits and vegetables under the various components of its scheme 'Agriculture Export Promotion Scheme of APEDA'. Continuous efforts are also being made to gain market access in various countries for opening up of new markets.
- (e) The assistance provided by APEDA is available to all the exporters of fruits and vegetables, including farmers looking to directly export their produce.
- (f) At present, there is no instance of any country having stopped the import of fruits and vegetables from India. In the past, EU had placed a ban on import of mangos and four vegetables from India w.e.f. 1<sup>st</sup> May 2014 due to detection of harmful pests. Due to corrective action taken by India, the ban has been revoked – w.e.f. 5<sup>th</sup> February 2015 for mangos and w.e.f. 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016 for the four vegetables. Saudi Arabia had imposed a ban on import of green chillies from India w.e.f. 30<sup>th</sup> May 2014 due to detection of agrochemicals i.e. pesticides above the maximum residue limits. Due to corrective action taken by India, the temporary ban was lifted w.e.f. 13<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2438**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**MID-TERM FOREIGN TRADE POLICY**

**2438. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is going to release any mid-term foreign trade policy and if so, the reasons for a mid-term policy;
- (b) the manner in which the said mid-term policy is going to address the GST along with the details of consultations held with stakeholders in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government is planning to promote bitcoin trade as a part of its mid-term policy and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

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(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a)&(b): The mid-term review of the Foreign Trade Policy 2015-20 will be undertaken to make mid-course correction, wherever required, including the changes necessitated due to introduction of GST. Government has consulted and obtained feedback from Export Promotion Councils, Trade bodies and Associations, Ministries of Central Government, State Governments and Indian Missions in this regard.

(c)&(d): No Madam, as the issue does not pertain directly to Foreign Trade Policy.

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LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2455  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

WTO REGIME

**2455. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:**

**ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that World Trade Organisation (WTO) regime has not benefitted all the countries equally and if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (b) whether the Government has any specific plans/programme to become self-sufficient in the production of pulses and other items and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is planning any internal market reforms to tackle the WTO regime pitfalls and if so the details thereof;
- (d) whether it is true that according to WTO, India may have to push hard in building consensus on decision of its interest including a permanent solution to deal with its concerns over developing food stocks as well as its proposal to have a global agreement on easier flow of professionals and investment rules for service; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

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- a) : The World Trade Organization (WTO) deals with the rules of trade among nations, as negotiated and agreed among its member countries, and *inter alia*, also settles trade disputes between its members. Its fundamental principles include non-discrimination in trade matters, freer trade, predictability and transparency. Decision-making is largely based on the principle of consensus. However, the impact of the rules on different member countries and sectors would depend on several factors, both external and internal to a member country, and would consequently vary across countries. Negotiations in a multilateral forum such as the WTO require some give and take, so that the best possible outcomes are achieved. The Government is pushing for outcomes in the priority areas of India's interest, such as in the area of agriculture negotiations.
- b) : Under the National Food Security Mission (NFSM), for the year 2017-18, out of a total allocation of Rs. 1720.00 Crore Government has allocated an amount of Rs. 1069.87 Crore for pulses as central



share to increase the production of pulses in the country. A programme on Additional Area coverage of Pulses is operational since 2013-14 under the NFSM to increase the production of rabi/ summer pulses through area expansion of rabi pigeon pea, gram, pea and lentil during rabi and, moong and urad during summer in NFSM-Pulses implementing States.

- c) : The Government believes that a rules-based, non-discriminatory multilateral trading system is necessary for bringing transparency, equity and fair play into global trade relations. The multilateral trading system potentially offers a suitable institutional architecture for a developing country. While framing trade-related policies, the Government is mindful of the need to ensure that these are aligned with India's obligations and commitments under various WTO Agreements. Internal economic and market reforms are an ongoing autonomous process based on national goals and priorities. These include strengthening and upgradation of trade-related infrastructure, steps to enhance the ease of doing business, steps to improve India's export competitiveness and deepen engagements with new markets, deepen and widen the export basket and promote product standards, packaging and branding of Indian products.
- d) and (e): India has a long standing position on the need to prioritize the agreed mandate of the Doha Round, in particular, the Ministerial decision to find a permanent solution by December 2017 on public stockholding for food security purposes, which relates to protection of our food-grain procurement programme at Minimum Support Prices and subsidized distribution to economically weaker sections. The Government is committed to pursuing this issue in the WTO in order to take forward the mandate given in the Bali and Nairobi Ministerial Conferences of the WTO in 2013 and 2015 respectively. India is seeking to implement the decisions on the issue through active and constructive engagement with Member countries.

Further, India's proposal for facilitating trade in services in the WTO was made with the objective of imparting much needed momentum to the discussion on services. The proposal provides a framework to address the various impediments to trade in services in a comprehensive and holistic manner. The proposal has been discussed in the relevant services bodies of the WTO.

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2456**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**TEA QUALITY**

**2456. SHRI A.P. JITHENDER REDDY:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the 20 per cent export clause in the 12th Plan scheme for upgrading tea quality is proving to be a dampener for the tea industry due to its restrictive nature and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of applications received by the Tea Board of India for availing the Quality Upgrade and Product Diversification scheme;
- (c) whether the number of applications received is very low in comparison to the number of applications received during the 11th Plan that had no export clause; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the rationale behind introducing such a clause and the steps undertaken by the Government to increase the number of applications?

**ANSWER**

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(a)to (d): The objective of the mandatory 20 per cent export clause under the Quality Upgradation & Product Diversification (QU&PD) Component of 12<sup>th</sup>Plan “Tea Development & Promotion Scheme” of Tea Board, was to enhance the quality of made tea by way of giving incentives for modernization of tea manufacturing units, warehouses, units dealing with value addition of tea, Organic tea production and production of Orthodox/Green tea with the ultimate goal of enhancement of export of Indian Tea. During the 12<sup>th</sup>Plan period total 439 number of applications were received by Tea Board as against 1596 number of applications received during the 11<sup>th</sup>Plan under the QU&PD component.

Based on the evaluation report of the 12<sup>th</sup> Plan scheme, the QU&PD component has been appropriately modified in the Medium Term Frame Work proposal for the years 2017-18 to 2019-20.

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2460**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**GST FACILITATION CELL CONSTITUTED BY DGFT**

**2460. SHRI DHARAM VIRA:**

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

- (a) the manner in which the GST Facilitation Cell constituted by the Directorate General for Foreign Trade (DGFT) is supposed to assist the stakeholders regarding the issues relating to GST;
- (b) whether the Government plans to come up with a forecast regarding the effects of GST is likely to have on the foreign trade of the country by the end of the decade; and
- (c) the manner in which the Government plans to educate the masses and the rural India in particular about the repercussions of this change in the tax regime?

**ANSWER**

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- a) The GST Facilitation Cells have been constituted in the DGFT Headquarters and its Regional offices. The cells reply to queries relating to GST parts of the exports through telephone, twitter and e-mail. In addition, DGFT officers are participate in the GST outreach and facilitation programmes to resolve the GST related issues. GST Facilitation Cell has also developed FAQs relating to impact of GST on the Foreign Trade Policy. It is placed on the DGFT's website .
- b) No, Madam. There is no such proposal at present.
- c) Government has adopted a multipronged strategy to make people aware of the details of the GST. This includes extensive use of TV, Radio and Newspapers to reach the people in cities and rural India. All ministries have launched ambitious outreach programmes for resolving the issues faced at the field level. The GST awareness campaign led by Central Board of Excise and Customs alone has so far conducted more than 4000 outreach programs across the country. In addition, Sectoral guidebooks and FAQs have been placed on the websites of the departments.

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2462**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**SEZ-DISPLACED PERSONS**

**2462. SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT:**

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

- (a) the details of measures which are being taken in respect of land acquisition and rehabilitation of the displaced persons in the Special Economic Zones (SEZs);
- (b) the manner in which the gap in the skills requirement of the displaced farmers is being dealt with when they are offered jobs; and
- (c) the details of measures which are being taken to deal with the inter-State and inter-sector disparities of the States in which the SEZs are located?

**ANSWER**

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(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) to (c) : Land is a State subject. The Board of Approval approves a proposal for establishment of a Special Economic Zone (SEZ) subject to the terms and conditions prescribed in the SEZ Act and Rules. The approval is granted only after the concerned State Government recommends the setting up of the SEZ. Issues related to availability/provisioning of land for SEZs are in the domain of the State Government agencies concerned. Insofar as relief and rehabilitation package for any affected person is concerned, this is implemented by State Government agencies.

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2476**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**MISUSE OF SEZ LAND**

**2476. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that misuse of Special Economic Zone (SEZ) land is rampant in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (b) whether any steps have been taken by the Government to recover the land allocated for SEZs which are not being used for the purpose and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by Government to curtail the misuse of SEZ land?

**ANSWER**

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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
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(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) to (c): Land is a State subject. The Board of Approval approves a proposal for establishment of a Special Economic Zone (SEZ) subject to the terms and conditions prescribed in the SEZ Act and Rules. The approval is granted only after the concerned State Government recommends the setting up of the SEZ. The implementation of SEZ projects by developers is monitored by the Development Commissioners as per SEZ Act and Rules on a regular basis. No rampant misuse of SEZ lands has been reported.

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2484**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**GST BENEFITS IN COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY SECTOR**

**2484. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:**

**SHRI BHAIRON PRASAD MISHRA:**

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

- (a) the manner in which benefits are likely to be availed by the Commerce and Industry Sector after implementation of Goods and Services Tax (GST) along with the amount-wise details thereof;
- (b) whether it is a fact that there are a lot of uncertainties and doubts prevailing amongst the commerce and industry sector regarding the benefits of GST/the fitment of GST rates on various products;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to redress doubts in this regard?

**ANSWER**

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- (a) The Commerce and Industry sector is likely to benefit from the GST on account of lower tax rates for most commodities compared to the earlier tax regime, uniform tax rates across the country, reduced tax on tax incidences and seamless availability of input tax credit. These features would benefit Commerce and Industry through reduction in cost and improvement in competitiveness. It is difficult to quantify the benefits, at present.
- (b) & (c) The Government has launched the GST as per the announced schedule. Government has also notified the product wise GST rates along with associated rules and procedures on time. However, Government is providing all help to trade and industry to overcome teething problems, wherever required.
- (d) Government has adopted a multipronged strategy to make people aware of the details of the GST. This includes extensive use of TV, Radio and Newspapers to reach the people in cities and rural India. All ministries have launched ambitious outreach programmes for resolving the issues faced at the field level. The GST awareness campaign led by Central Board of Excise and Customs alone has so far conducted more than 4000 outreach programs across the country. In addition, Sectoral guidebooks and FAQs have been placed on the websites of the departments.

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2485**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**ANTI-DUMPING DUTY ON SOLAR CELLS**

**2485. SHRI GODSE HEMANT TUKARAM:**

**SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA:**

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

- (a) whether the import of solar cells/ modules from certain countries has affected local manufacturers in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has imposed or proposes to impose antidumping duty on imported solar cells/ modules;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the other steps taken by the Government to protect the interests of local manufacturers;
- (d) whether the Government has received any representation against imposition of anti-dumping duty on solar cells/ modules; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government thereon?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
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(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a)&(b) :An application from Indian Solar Manufacturers Association has been received in the Directorate General of Anti-dumping & Allied Duties (DGAD) alleging dumping of "Solar Cells/modules" originating in or exported from People's Republic of China, Taiwan and Malaysia. On prima facie evidence of dumping of the aforesaid product from above mentioned countries, injury to the domestic industry and the causal link between the said dumping and injury to the domestic industry, the DGAD has initiated an anti-dumping investigation vide O.I. No. 33/2017 on 21.07.2017 in the instant case. The due date for issuance of final findings is 20.07.2018 unless extended further for a maximum period of six months.

(c) :The following measures are being taken to protect interests of local manufacturers. Subsidy is being given through Special Incentive Package Scheme (SIPS)/ Modified Special Incentive Package Scheme (M-SIPS) run by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology. The scheme, inter alia, provides for:

- i. 20-25% subsidy for investments in capital expenditure for setting up of electronic manufacturing facility.
- ii. Reimbursement of countervailing Duty (CVD)/ Excise Duty for capital equipment for the units outside Special Economic Zone (SEZ).

The incentives are available for several categories of electronic products and product components including Solar Photovoltaic (SPV) (Polysilicon, Ingots and/ or Wafers, Cells, Modules/Panels). Units across the value chain starting from raw materials to assembly, testing, and packaging of these product categories are included. The rooftop solar projects being implemented with central financial assistance have been mandated to source their requirement from domestic sources.

(d) & (e): DGAD and Ministry of New & Renewable Energy have not received any representation against the imposition of anti-dumping duty on solar cells or modules.

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2486**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**REPEAL OF RUBBER ACT, 1947**

**2486. SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is considering to repeal the Rubber Act, 1947 and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Government is ready to include rubber in the products to be included under the proposed Plantation Export Development Agency (PEDA); and
- (c) if so, the details of proposed structure and products under PEDA and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

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(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) to (c): No Madam. There is no proposal to repeal the Rubber Act, 1947 and creation of a Plantation Export Development Agency (PEDA).

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2488**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017**

**EXPORT DEVELOPMENT FUND**

**2488. SHRI KONAKALLA NARAYANA RAO:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is planning to create an Export Development Fund to help marketing of the products of small and medium exporters;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is planning to extend the 3% Interest Equalisation Scheme to merchant exporters; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the measures taken by the Government to help marketing of the products of small exporters in global markets?

**ANSWER**

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(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a) No, Madam.
- (b) Does not arise in view of reply to (a) above.
- (c) No, Madam.
- (d) Department of Commerce is already running two schemes i.e. Market Access Initiative Scheme (MAI) and Marketing Development Assistance Scheme (MDA) for development and promotional activities to promote exports from India and marketing assistance in foreign markets by providing financial support to exporters through Export Promotion councils/ Trade bodies and other eligible agencies including MSMEs.

Government has introduced Interest Equalisation Scheme on Pre & Post Shipment Rupee Export Credit with effect from 1.4.2015 for five years. The scheme is available to manufacturers for all exports under 416 specified tariff lines [at ITC (HS) Codes at 4 digit level] and to exports made by manufacturers in Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises across all ITC (HS) Codes. The rate of interest equalisation is 3% per annum.

The New Foreign Trade Policy (2015-20) was announced on 1st April, 2015 with a focus on supporting both merchandise and services exports.

Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS) aims to incentivize export of merchandise goods produced/manufactured in India. Rewards @ 2-5% under MEIS are payable as a percentage of realized FOBvalue of covered exports, by way of the MEIS duty credit scrip, which are freely transferable. At present, 7914 tariff lines at 8 digit HSCodes are covered under MEIS scheme. The benefits of MEIS are available to all exporters including the small exporters and the MSME sector.

Services Exports from India Scheme (SEIS) provides rewards in the form of duty credit scrips to service providers of notified services who are providing service from India. The rate of reward under the scheme is based on net foreign exchange earned. The present rates of reward are 3 % and 5%. The benefits of MEIS are available to all exporters including the small exporters.

The Status Holder Recognition Scheme provides recognition in the category of One Star, Two Star, Three Star, Four Star and Five Star to exporters making exports beyond a threshold level. The Recognition entitles such Status Holders to certain privileges under the Schemes of the Foreign Trade Policy. Double weight-age is granted in calculation of threshold level while granting one star status in case of exporters belonging to Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME) as defined in Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises Development (MSMED) Act 2006.

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(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2492  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

**FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS**

**2492. PROF. K.V. THOMAS:**

**SHRI RAJU SHETTY:**

**SHRI M.B. RAJESH:**

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

- (a) the details of Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) signed/proposed to be signed by India with other countries including those signed or proposed to be signed with Asian countries/Eurasian Economic Union along with their present status;
- (b) whether the Government has assessed the impact of these FTAs on steel, agriculture and domestic industries and if so, the details thereof along with their benefits/ net inflow of foreign investment and the steps taken/ being taken to protect the agricultural sector from the negative effect of FTAs;
- (c) the details of the export and import made by India with those countries it has entered into FTAs/Extensive Economic Participation Agreement during the last three years, region/ quantity/Price-wise; and
- (d) whether the Government is in talks with many foreign countries including Israel, West Asia and African countries to sign new FTA agreements and if so, the norms being followed and the action plan formulated and priority areas identified in this regard along with the progress made with regard to implementation of these agreements, country-wise?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a) : The details of the Free Trade Agreements (FTAs)/Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreements(CECAs)/Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreements(CEPA) and Preferential Trade Agreements(PTAs) entered into by India is given in **Annexure-I** and **Annexure-II** respectively. The list of the FTAs/PTAs currently being negotiated is given in **Annexure-III**. As regards an FTA with Eurasian Economic Union, a joint statement to launch negotiations for FTA between India and the Union has been signed on 3 June, 2017.

(b) : Assessment evaluation of FTAs is a continuous process including on sectors such as steel and agriculture. Before entering into negotiations with its trading partners, studies are undertaken internally, as well as through the Joint Study Group (JSG) to study the feasibility of the proposed FTAs, including their impact on the domestic stakeholders including the Apex Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Industry Associations as well as the Administrative Ministries and Departments. In order to protect the interest of the domestic industry and agriculture sector, these agreements provide for maintaining sensitive/negative lists of items on which limited or no tariff concessions are granted under the FTA. The Government has largely adopted a conservative policy on agricultural products by maintaining a large number of them in the negative list of FTAs. In addition, in case of a surge in imports and injury to the domestic industry, a country is allowed to take recourse to the measures such as anti-dumping and safeguards.

(c) : The Question does not arise as India has not entered into any new FTA or Preferential Trade Agreement (PTA) during the last three years. However, India expanded the scope of the India-ASEAN Trade in Goods (TIG) Agreement in November, 2014 to cover both Services and Investment with its date of implementation being 1 July, 2015.

(d) : The Department of Commerce is negotiating 21 trade agreements including with Israel and Mauritius. The details of these agreements under negotiation or review are at Annexure-III. The FTA negotiations are a continuous process and it is difficult to predict a time-line for conclusion.

## Annexure-I

### FTA's already in force

S. No.	Name of the Agreement	Date of Signing of the Agreement	Date of Implementation of the Agreement
1	India - Sri Lanka FTA	28th December, 1998	1 <sup>st</sup> March, 2000
2	Agreement on SAFTA  (India, Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Bhutan, the Maldives and Afghanistan)	4th January, 2004	1st January, 2006  <i>(Tariff concessions implemented from 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2006)</i>
3	India Nepal Treaty of Trade	27 <sup>th</sup> October 2009	The Treaty has been extended for a further period of 7 years and is currently in force till 26 <sup>th</sup> October 2023.
4	Revised Agreement of Cooperation between Government of India and Nepal to control unauthorized trade	27 <sup>th</sup> October, 2009	The Agreement has been renewed on 26 <sup>th</sup> October, 2016 for a further period of 7 years and is now valid till 26 <sup>th</sup> October, 2023.
5	India - Bhutan Agreement on Trade Commerce and Transit	17 <sup>th</sup> January, 1972	Renewed periodically, with mutually agreed modifications. Agreement dated 29 <sup>th</sup> July 2006 was valid for 10 years. With mutual consent, the validity was extended for a period of one year or the period till the proposed new Agreement comes into force. The new Agreement has been signed on 12.11.2016. India and Bhutan have agreed that the new Agreement will come into force with effect from 29 July 2017.
6	India - Thailand FTA - Early Harvest Scheme (EHS)	9 <sup>th</sup> October, 2003.	1 <sup>st</sup> September, 2004
7	India - Singapore CECA	29th June, 2005	1st August, 2005
8	India - ASEAN- CECA - Trade in Goods, Services and Investment Agreement (Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore,	13 <sup>th</sup> August, 2009 for goods and November, 2014 for Services and Investment	Goods <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1st January 2010 in respect of India and Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand.</li> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup> June 2010 in respect of India and Vietnam.</li> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup> September 2010 in respect of India and Myanmar.</li> </ul>

S. No.	Name of the Agreement	Date of Signing of the Agreement	Date of Implementation of the Agreement
	Thailand and Vietnam)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup> October 2010 in respect of India and Indonesia.</li> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup> November 2010 in respect of India and Brunei.</li> <li>• 24 January 2011 in respect of India and Laos.</li> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup> June 2011 in respect of India and the Philippines.</li> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2011 in respect of India and Cambodia.</li> </ul> Services and Investment 1 July, 2015
9	India - South Korea CEPA	7 <sup>th</sup> August 2009	1 <sup>st</sup> January, 2010
10	India - Japan CEPA	16 <sup>th</sup> February, 2011	1 <sup>st</sup> August, 2011
11	India - Malaysia CECA	18 <sup>th</sup> February, 2011	1 <sup>st</sup> July, 2011

**Annexure-II****PTAs already in force:**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of the Agreement</b>	<b>Date of Signing of the Agreement</b>	<b>Date of Implementation of the Agreement</b>
1	Asia Pacific Trade Agreement (APTA) (Bangladesh, China, India, Republic of Korea, Sri Lanka)	July, 1975  (revised on 2 <sup>nd</sup> November, 2005)	1st Nov, 1976
2	Global System of Trade Preferences (GSTP)  (Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Cameroon, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ecuador, Egypt, Ghana, Guinea, Guyana, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Libya, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Romania, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Tanzania, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia, Zimbabwe)	13 <sup>th</sup> April, 1988	19 <sup>th</sup> April, 1989
3	SAARC Preferential Trading Agreement (SAPTA)	11 April, 1993	7 December, 1995
4	India - Afghanistan	6 <sup>th</sup> March, 2003	13 <sup>th</sup> May, 2003
5	India - MERCOSUR	25 <sup>th</sup> January, 2004	1 <sup>st</sup> June, 2009
6	India - Chile	8 <sup>th</sup> March, 2006	11 <sup>th</sup> September, 2007. The agreement has been expanded on 6 <sup>th</sup> September, 2016 with date of its implementation as 16 <sup>th</sup> May, 2017.



**FTAs/PTAs under Negotiation/Review:**

<b>S. No</b>	<b>Name of the Agreement</b>	<b>Status</b>
1	India - EU BTIA (Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom)	Negotiations launched on 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2007 in the areas of Goods, Services, Investment, Sanitary and Phyto-sanitary Measures, Technical Barriers to Trade, Trade Facilitation and Customs Cooperation, Competition, IPR & GIs. Etc. Sixteen rounds of negotiations and a number of inter-sessional and Chief Negotiator level meetings have been held till date. A Ministerial review meeting between Hon'ble Commerce & Industry Minister and EU's Trade Commissioner was held on 15 <sup>th</sup> April, 2013 at Brussels. After a period of lull, the negotiations were revived with 4 stocktaking meetings in January, February, July and November, 2016.
2	India – Sri Lanka Economic and Technical Cooperation Agreements (ETCA)	The negotiations on the text of the proposed Agreement are being carried out with Sri Lanka. Three rounds of negotiations have been held so far. The 4 <sup>th</sup> round of negotiations of the ETCA was held on 24-26 April, 2017 in New Delhi.
3	India - Thailand CECA	Early Harvest Scheme on 82 items implemented. So far 30 rounds of India-Thailand Trade Negotiation committee (ITTNC) meetings have been held. The 30 <sup>th</sup> round was held on 13-14 July, 2016 in New Delhi.
4	India - Mauritius CECPA	Ten rounds of negotiations on India-Mauritius CECPA have been held between the two sides so far. The last round of negotiation was held between India and Mauritius on 23–24 October, 2006. Although the CECPA negotiations had been formally put on hold, they were revived in March, 2016 during the visit of the Hon'ble Prime Minister to Mauritius. There is likelihood of some technical engagement between the two sides in 2017.
5	India EFTA TEPA (Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein and Switzerland)	The India-EFTA TEPA (Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement) was launched in January 2008 (then known as BTIA). The first round was held in New Delhi during 6-8 October, 2008. The Chapters covered are Trade in Goods, Services, Investment, Sanitary and Phyto-sanitary Measures (SPS), Technical Barriers to Trade(TBT), Trade Facilitation and Customs Cooperation, Competition, Intellectual Property Rights (IPR), Government Procurement (GP), Dispute Settlement(DS), Trade Defence(TD), Rules of origin(ROO), Sustainable Development (SD) and Legal & Horizontal etc. 16 rounds of negotiations have been held with the 16 <sup>th</sup> round of negotiation held on 29 May-2 June, 2017 in Lichtenstein.

S. No	Name of the Agreement	Status
6	India - New Zealand FTA/CECA	Ten Rounds of negotiation of CECA have been held so far. The 10th Round was held in New Delhi on 17-18 February, 2015.
7	India – Israel FTA	Eight rounds of negotiations on India-Israel FTA have been held so far. The Eighth round was held in Israel from 24-26 November, 2013.
8	India - Singapore CECA	Second review of India-Singapore CECA was launched in May, 2010. Recently a stock taking meeting on 2nd review of India-Singapore CECA was held on 8th November, 2016 in New Delhi
9	India - SACU PTA (South Africa, Botswana, Lesotho, Swaziland and Namibia)	Five rounds of negotiations have been held so far. 1st Round of negotiation was held in Pretoria on October 5-6th, 2007 and the 5th round of negotiations held in October 2010 in New Delhi. During the 9th Joint Ministerial Commission (JMC) meeting held at Durban on 19th March, 2015 under the co-chairmanship of Honourable Minister of External Affairs and South Africa's Foreign Minister, while discussing pending negotiations on finalization of INDIA-SACU PTA, the Indian side requested the South African side for assistance in holding the 6th round of negotiations.
10	India - Mercosur PTA expansion (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay)	The existing India-MERCOSUR PTA is being expanded as substantial scope exists for India and MERCOSUR to explore complementarities and benefit from increased bilateral trade. The 3rd Meeting of Joint Administrative Committee was held in Brasilia on 29th September, 2016.
11	BIMSTEC CECA (Bangladesh, India, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Bhutan and Nepal)	20 meetings of the Trade Negotiation Committee (TNC) have taken place. The 20th Meeting of BIMSTEC Trade Negotiating Committee (TNC) was held during 07-09, September 2015 in Khon Kaen, Thailand.
12	India - Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Framework Agreement (Saudi Arabia, Oman, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar and United Arab Emirates)	Two rounds of negotiations have been held so far in 2006 and 2008. The second round was held in September 9-10, 2008. No round could take place in the last 7 years since GCC has deferred its negotiations with all countries and economic groups and is currently reviewing its negotiations with all countries and economic groups.
13	India – Canada FTA	Nine rounds of negotiation on India-Canada CEPA have been held so far. The Ninth round was held in March, 2015.
14	India - Indonesia Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA)	Commencement of negotiation on Indonesia - India CECA was announced on 25th January 2011 during the visit of Indonesian President to New Delhi. Negotiations are yet to commence. The first meeting pre-negotiation and Biennial Trade and Investment Forum (BTIF) took place in Jakarta on October 3-4, 2011. Negotiation has been kept in abeyance watching progress of RCEP.
15	India - Australia	Nine rounds of negotiations have been held so far. The ninth round of negotiations was held on 21-23 September 2015, in New Delhi,

S. No	Name of the Agreement	Status
		India.
16.	India-Malaysia CECA (1st Review)	1st meeting of the India-Malaysia Joint Committee meeting to review implementation of the Agreement was held on 8th December, 2014.
17	Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement among ASEAN + 6 FTA Partners (Australia, China, India, Japan, South Korea and New Zealand)	Based on the Declaration of the Leaders during the ASEAN Summit in November, 2012, negotiations for a comprehensive economic partnership between the 10 ASEAN member states and its 6 FTA partners commenced in May, 2013. 4 <sup>th</sup> RCEP Ministerial was held on 5 August, 2016. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Intersessional RCEP Ministerial was recently concluded in Ha Noi from 21-22 May, 2017. The 19 <sup>th</sup> Round of RCEP TNC and related meetings was held from 17-28 July, 2017 in Hyderabad. The negotiations cover a number of areas like trade in goods, services, investment, intellectual property, economic & technical cooperation, competition and legal & institutional issues.
18	India-ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam)  (1 <sup>st</sup> Review)	The ASEAN Secretariat has agreed to the 1 <sup>st</sup> review of India-ASEAN trade in Goods Agreement in the coming months. The scope of review was finalized and the first meeting of the Trade Negotiating Committee (TNC) for review was held on 6 April, 2016 in Kuala Lumpur.
19	India-Korea CEPA review	During the Joint Committee meeting at the Ministerial level held on 18 June, 2016 in New Delhi, the two sides declared commencement of negotiation for upgrading India-Korea CEPA. Two rounds of negotiation for upgrading India-Korea CEPA have been held so far with 2 <sup>nd</sup> round of negotiation held on 13-14 February, 2017 in New Delhi.
20	India-Iran PTA	India and Iran have started discussions to enter into a preferential Trade Agreement (PTA). The broad principles of the PTA are being worked out before commencing negotiations on the text. So far, two meetings have taken place. The last meeting was held at New Delhi on 01-02 September, 2016. After the discussions and receipt of a communication from Iran, India has sent a response to Iran in January, 2017. Iran is yet to revert on our response. The dates of next meeting of India-Iran PTA are not yet finalised.
21	India-Peru Trade Agreement	The Cabinet in its meeting held on 18 <sup>th</sup> January, 2017 has approved holding negotiations for trade agreement with Peru on goods, services and investment. The process for negotiations has been initiated with the first round of negotiations scheduled on 8-11 August, 2017 in New Delhi.

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2495  
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**TEA AND COFFEE EXPORT**

**2495. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:**

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

- whether there has been a dip in the exports of Tea/Coffee recently and loss of market share in international market;
- if so, the details thereof including the financial figures along with the reasons therefor;
- the measures being taken to recover/increase their market share; and
- whether the Tea Estates of Southern India are facing severe drought and if so, the measures being taken to help them?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

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(a) & (b): There has been a decrease in quantity of around 6 Million Kgs. of tea export in 2016 as compared to 2015. The details of Indian tea export during last three years along with market shares are given below:

Year	Quantity exported (in m. Kg)	Value (RsCrores)	India's Share in international market (%)
2014	207.44	4054.02	11.36
2015	228.66	4355.32	12.71
2016	222.45	4468.11	12.47

The decrease in quantity of exports of tea during 2016 is primarily attributed to bumper crop and competitive prices offered by Kenya which affected India's exports to the major CTC tea markets in general and Pakistan & UK in particular. At the same time, tea production in South India had been lower by around 17 Million of Kgs. while gaining on the pricing front. This affected exports to Russia and Pakistan in particular, who primarily import lower-priced teas.

As far as coffee is concerned, the exports and international market share of Indian coffee have shown an increase as detailed below:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Quantity (Tonnes)</b>	<b>Value (Rs.Crores)</b>	<b>India's Share in international market (%)</b>
2014	287360	4840	4.17
2015	306114	5158	4.48
2016	358610	5529	5.33

(c): In order to increase share of Indian tea and coffee in the international market, focused and sustained initiatives such as arranging buyer-seller meets, effecting exchange of delegations, participating in international trade fairs and undertaking generic promotion of Indian Brands in key markets are taken up by the Tea Board and the Coffee Board.

(d): The month wise rainfall data of the tea planting districts in the various states of south India shows that there is no drought in the Southern States. However, during the year 2016 a widespread drought occurred in the Southern States which adversely affected production of tea.

The Tea Board is extending financial assistance for setting up of irrigation facilities to the tune of 25 per cent of capital cost not exceeding Rs.80,000/- per hectare with the ceiling limit of 200 hectare per garden. Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY) has been extended to small growers of plantation crops including tea.

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2499(H)  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

**SETTING UP OF SEZs**

**2499(H). SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:**

**MOHAMMED FAIZAL:**

**Dr. P.K. BIJU:**

**SHRI ANOOP MISHRA:**

**SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:**

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up district-wise Special Economic Zones (SEZs) in Vidarbha region of Maharashtra including those based on agriculture/cotton;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, locationwise along with the time by which they are likely to be set up and the details of SEZs set up in the said region so far, locationwise;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to expand/develop SEZs in Kerala and if so, the details thereof along with the locations identified and the funds allocated and being released for the purpose and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has received any requests for setting up of SEZs in Kerala and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (e) whether the Government has adopted a new policy for SEZs in the country and if so, the details thereof along with its salient features?

**ANSWER**

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(a) and (b): No Madam. Special Economic Zones (SEZs) being set up under the SEZs Act, 2005 and SEZ Rule, 2006 are primarily private investment driven. The Central Government does not allocate funds for setting up of new SEZs.

(c) and (d): No proposal for setting up of new SEZs in the State of Kerala has been received in the last one year.

(e): The Special Economic Zones (SEZs) policy was launched in April, 2000. The Special Economic Zones Act, 2005, was passed by Parliament in May, 2005 which received

Presidential assent on the 23rd of June, 2005. The SEZs Rules, 2006 came into effect on 10th February, 2006. The salient features of the SEZ scheme are:-

- (i) SEZ is a designated duty free enclave to be treated as a territory outside the customs territory of India ;
- (ii) SEZ Developers and Units will have Direct Tax and Indirect Tax concessions as prescribed in the SEZs Act, 2005.
- (iii) No licence will be required for import of inputs for operations in SEZ ;
- (iv) Domestic sales by SEZ units will be subject to applicable customs duties and Foreign Trade Policy in force;
- (v) SEZ units will have freedom for subcontracting;
- (vi) No routine examination by customs authorities of export/import cargo;
- (vii) The Unit in SEZ shall achieve Positive Net Foreign Exchange to be calculated cumulatively for a period of five years from the commencement of production;

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LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2501(H)  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

**TRADE BETWEEN INDIA AND WEST ASIA**

**2501(H). DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR:**

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

- (a) the volume of trade carried out between India and West Asia during the last three years and the current year, country-wise;
- (b) whether there is adequate potential for Indian exports to these countries;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to increase the exports to these countries and to explore the new markets; and
- (d) the success achieved by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

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- (a) to (d): India's Trade with West Asia region comprising GCC countries i.e Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, UAE and other West Asia region comprising Iraq, Iran, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, and Yemen was recorded at USD 171.91 bn, USD 125.49 bn and, USD 129.97 bn, during the year 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17, respectively (Table1 at Annex). While in the current year (April-May) 2017-18, it has been recorded at USD 24.57 bn (Table-2 at Annex). There is adequate potential for India's exports to these countries. With a view to unleash this potential, the Government continues to engage pro-actively with West Asian Countries to strengthen trade and economic relations. Tariff and Non-Tariff Barriers impacting trade between India and countries in west Asian region are deliberated and reviewed for appropriate resolution on regular basis through bilateral /multilateral forums. Trade Fairs, Exhibitions, Buyer-Seller Meets are regularly organized with financial support of Department of Commerce under its Market Access Initiative (MAI) scheme with a view to explore opportunities for boosting India's exports to the rest of the World including countries in West Asia region. India's exports to countries in West Asia region have recorded a growth of 0.49% in the year 2016-17 over the previous year i.e 2015-16.

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## Department of Commerce

## West Asia

## (Table-1:April-March)

Values in US \$ Millions

S.No.	Country	2014-2015			% Growth		2015-2016			% Growth		2016-2017			% Growth	
		Exports	Imports	Total Trade	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Total Trade	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Total Trade	Exports	Imports
1	BAHARAIN	472.98	446.25	919.23	-26.02	-20.77	654.14	356.90	1011.04	38.30	-20.02	474.32	290.69	765.00	-27.49	-18.55
2	IRAN	4175.11	8955.02	13130.13	-16.03	-13.12	2781.52	6278.75	9060.27	-33.38	-29.89	2393.12	10506.51	12899.63	-13.96	67.33
3	IRAQ	829.32	14247.66	15076.98	-9.66	-23.07	1004.39	10837.58	11841.98	21.11	-23.93	1115.50	11702.07	12817.57	11.06	7.98
4	ISRAEL	3289.87	2328.04	5617.91	-12.20	0.71	2821.23	2095.33	4916.56	-14.24	-10.00	3064.86	1961.12	5025.97	8.64	-6.41
5	JORDAN	1431.11	857.85	2288.96	-10.32	40.47	499.76	853.12	1352.88	-65.08	-0.55	523.79	828.24	1352.03	4.81	-2.92
6	KUWAIT	1198.89	13381.97	14580.85	12.98	-21.99	1247.51	4969.69	6217.20	4.06	-62.86	1494.41	4456.83	5951.24	19.79	-10.32
7	LEBANON	279.66	39.74	319.39	-4.72	6.68	239.55	27.61	267.16	-14.34	-30.51	211.85	30.21	242.06	-11.56	9.41
8	OMAN	2379.44	1752.24	4131.69	-15.39	-40.63	2190.79	1674.71	3865.50	-7.93	-4.43	2731.49	1275.11	4006.60	24.68	-23.86
9	QATAR	1054.98	14604.71	15659.69	8.87	-7.02	902.04	9022.16	9924.20	-14.50	-38.22	787.47	7638.17	8425.64	-12.70	-15.34
10	SAUDI ARAB	11162.55	28107.56	39270.11	-8.65	-22.79	6394.48	20321.33	26715.81	-42.71	-27.70	5134.63	19945.17	25079.80	-19.70	-1.85
11	SYRIA	187.89	28.34	216.23	-19.74	-63.01	136.83	40.54	177.37	-27.17	43.04	122.36	32.25	154.60	-10.58	-20.46
12	UAE	33028.08	26139.91	59167.99	8.22	-9.92	30290.01	19445.68	49735.69	-8.29	-25.61	31305.80	21498.20	52804.00	3.35	10.56
13	YEMEN	992.13	540.68	1532.82	-24.09	-30.87	399.79	6.88	406.67	-59.70	-98.73	446.90	4.81	451.72	11.79	-30.05
<b>Total of West Asia</b>		<b>60482.01</b>	<b>111429.97</b>	<b>171911.98</b>			<b>49562.04</b>	<b>75930.28</b>	<b>125492.33</b>	<b>-18.05</b>	<b>-31.86</b>	<b>49806.50</b>	<b>80169.38</b>	<b>129975.86</b>	<b>0.49</b>	<b>5.58</b>

(Table-2:April-May)									
S.No.	Country	2016-2017			2017-2018(P)			% Growth	
		Exports	Imports	Total Trade	Exports	Imports	Total Trade	Exports	Imports
1	BAHARAIN	71.53	62.34	133.87	96.16	63.25	159.41	34.43	1.46
2	IRAN	394.70	1056.49	1451.19	526.09	1797.10	2323.19	33.29	70.10
3	IRAQ	134.32	1850.12	1984.45	258.43	2485.52	2743.95	92.39	34.34
4	ISRAEL	431.86	334.09	765.94	553.54	430.06	983.61	28.18	28.73
5	JORDAN	69.82	167.78	237.60	102.55	182.56	285.10	46.87	8.80
6	KUWAIT	250.89	704.72	955.61	213.75	1124.34	1338.09	-14.80	59.54
7	LEBANO N	32.81	3.69	36.50	41.91	3.77	45.68	27.73	2.17
8	OMAN	368.77	304.00	672.77	406.86	269.14	675.99	10.33	-11.47
9	QATAR	120.82	918.23	1039.04	147.15	1313.88	1461.04	21.80	43.09
10	SAUDI ARAB	903.41	3027.55	3930.95	861.59	3207.07	4068.66	-4.63	5.93
11	SYRIA	15.92	2.86	18.78	22.58	6.61	29.19	41.83	131.03
12	UAE	5573.60	3320.03	8893.63	6004.41	4359.49	10363.90	7.73	31.31
13	YEMEN	77.72	0.68	78.40	91.90	1.52	93.42	18.25	123.33
<b>Total of West Asia</b>		<b>8446.17</b>	<b>11752.58</b>	<b>20198.73</b>	<b>9326.92</b>	<b>15244.31</b>	<b>24571.23</b>	<b>10.43</b>	<b>29.71</b>

Source: DGCI&S, Kolkata

Note: West Asia includes West Asia-GCC and Other West Asia Region

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LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2502  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

**SOLAR PANEL CASE AT WTO**

**2502(H). SHRI OM BIRLA:**

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

- (a) whether the solar panel manufacturers of the United States of America (USA) had expressed their resentment in solar panel procurement case last year and lodged complaints with the World Trade Organisation (WTO) in this regard wherein judgement was given in their favour;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto and the strategy being devised for procurement policy in the future;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to seek changes in the existing laws of WTO to give protection to the domestic industries and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is also contemplating to give up the membership of the WTO and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has taken any decision to formulate National Procurement Policy to give preference to the domestic manufacturers in Government purchases and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) & (b) : The United States (US) filed a dispute before the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) of the World Trade Organisation (WTO) on India's domestic content requirements (DCR) in its procurement of solar cells and modules in some of the projects under Phase I and Phase II of the Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission (JNNSM), claiming inconsistency with the WTO obligations. Based on the findings and recommendations of WTO Appellate Body/Panel, the DSB ruled that India's stated measures, which mandates DCR for the private developers, is inconsistent with its obligations under the WTO and hence India should bring its measures in conformity with its obligation under WTO within the reasonable period of time as mutually agreed upon.

(c) & (d) : Government of India (GoI) is neither considering approaching WTO for amendment of the WTO text for allowing DCR nor withdrawing from the membership of WTO on this account.

(e) : General Financial Rules (GFR) 2006 and the manuals, notifications/orders issued thereunder, governing the Central Government procurement (GP), provides for preference to domestic manufacturers. Apart from this, certain policy documents like the National Electronics policy, the Telecom Policy etc have mandatory DCR provisions on GP, which are based on the discipline on GP under WTO. GoI also facilitates such procurement through other ways as well, including subsidising domestic manufacturers, wherever required and feasible.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2504  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

**IMPORT-EXPORT OF DRUGS**

**2504. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI:**

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

- (a) the quantum and value of medicines/drugs imported during each of the last three years and current year, country-wise;
- (b) whether India is largely dependent on import particularly from China to meet the bulk of the requirement of various drugs including essential drugs and Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs);
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the measures taken by Government to boost export of medicines/ drugs and encourage the Indian pharmaceutical companies to increase their production so as to reduce dependence on imports?

**ANSWER**

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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
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**(a):** The value of medicines/drugs imported into the country along with the quantity for top 30 countries during the last three years and the current year is given at **Annexure-I**.

**(b) & (c):** The estimated production of bulk drugs by indigenous drug manufacturing companies in 2016 was US\$ 11.7 billion. Indian drug manufacturers import pharmaceuticals including drug intermediates, bulk drugs and formulations from various countries. India imports substantial drugs and pharmaceuticals from China in the form of raw materials as well as finished products for both domestic consumption and exports. Out of India's total imports of medicines/drugs of US\$ 4.45 billion in 2016-17, imports from China was US\$ 1.96 billion (44.1%). One of the reasons for imports from China is the price competitiveness of these products.

**(d):** The Government is taking several measures to boost exports under Market Development Assistance (MDA) and Market Access Initiative (MAI) schemes. Financial assistance through Pharmexcil, an Export Promotion Council, is provided under MDA and

MAI Schemes by Department of Commerce to exporters of various pharmaceuticals products particularly small and medium size exporters to promote their exports in various countries. Incentives to pharmaceuticals industry are also available in various trade promotion schemes like Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS), Advance Authorization Scheme, DFIA (Duty Free Import Authorization) for import of raw materials and Export Promotion Capital Goods (EPCG) Scheme for import of Capital Goods etc.

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Statement referred to in reply of part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question no. 2504 for answer on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2017.

India's Imports of Medicines/Drugs from Top 30 Countries										
S. No.	Countries	Unit	2014-15		2015-16		2016-17 *		2017-18 (April-May)*	
			Quantity	Value (US \$ Millions)	Quantity	Value (US \$ Millions)	Quantity	Value (US \$ Millions)	Quantity	Value (US \$ Millions)
1	China P RP	KGS	154.15	2218.37	160.18	2265.88	171.06	1963.68	39.95	365.37
2	U S A	KGS	13.40	416.57	13.22	453.49	13.03	408.44	2.13	69.90
3	Germany	KGS	4.72	427.76	5.03	378.22	4.86	322.83	0.94	41.00
4	France	KGS	8.70	171.48	7.63	179.91	5.37	189.03	0.90	26.51
5	Italy	KGS	5.56	195.04	6.67	176.62	5.20	176.29	0.69	30.02
6	Switzerland	KGS	0.53	159.54	0.37	138.80	0.48	132.39	0.08	29.36
7	Denmark	KGS	0.10	98.96	0.04	93.94	0.06	112.50	0.01	12.10
8	Indonesia	KGS	15.52	142.64	16.77	154.48	18.57	109.28	5.16	11.71
9	U K	KGS	0.41	66.33	0.51	82.26	0.60	94.16	0.24	18.05
10	Spain	KGS	3.18	81.11	3.17	91.25	3.62	84.13	0.47	14.08
11	Singapore	KGS	5.37	43.38	16.48	92.73	19.02	81.73	3.62	10.39
12	Korea Rp	KGS	8.62	74.81	13.15	69.87	12.80	81.38	2.02	8.96
13	Belgium	KGS	9.91	89.30	0.33	80.39	0.38	78.05	0.12	12.40
14	Brazil	KGS	0.23	66.58	0.56	49.34	0.32	76.73	0.06	8.01
15	Netherland	KGS	1.74	96.48	3.54	82.31	6.21	72.94	1.10	11.04
16	Japan	KGS	7.48	73.57	9.10	73.87	7.40	59.17	1.40	7.83
17	Austria	KGS	0.71	26.42	0.61	28.62	0.83	45.86	0.33	11.53
18	Puerto Rico	KGS	0.01	9.20	0.25	31.37	0.24	39.36	0.06	8.87
19	Ireland	KGS	0.05	37.40	0.03	18.05	0.03	33.69	0.00	6.29
20	Taiwan	KGS	0.73	35.16	0.33	41.14	0.33	31.12	0.12	3.96
21	Hungary	KGS	0.01	15.10	0.01	22.26	0.02	29.87	0.00	2.95
22	Mexico	KGS	0.19	29.86	0.19	27.81	0.22	29.09	0.04	3.65
23	Israel	KGS	0.19	31.42	0.17	31.88	0.10	28.47	0.01	3.44
24	Australia	KGS	0.38	32.29	0.61	23.22	0.94	22.97	0.30	5.85
25	Malaysia	KGS	0.20	5.75	2.17	14.25	2.37	15.70	1.19	3.18
26	Thailand	KGS	12.45	22.05	13.65	21.31	10.17	14.82	2.14	3.40
27	Canada	KGS	0.06	16.56	0.03	15.55	0.06	14.42	0.00	0.94
28	Slovenia	KGS	0.03	33.00	0.02	25.20	0.02	10.79	0.01	0.40
29	Sweden	KGS	0.01	8.60	0.00	8.85	0.11	9.13	0.05	3.07
30	Nepal	KGS	2.71	11.08	3.00	10.94	3.18	8.40	0.50	1.45
<b>Total of above 30 countries</b>			<b>257.34</b>	<b>4735.78</b>	<b>277.84</b>	<b>4783.84</b>	<b>287.59</b>	<b>4376.40</b>	<b>63.63</b>	<b>735.70</b>
<b>India's total imports of medicines/drugs</b>			<b>276.19</b>	<b>4865.75</b>	<b>284.09</b>	<b>4885.04</b>	<b>294.31</b>	<b>4454.12</b>	<b>64.63</b>	<b>755.28</b>
<b>% share of China in total medicines/drugs imports</b>			<b>55.81</b>	<b>45.59</b>	<b>56.38</b>	<b>46.38</b>	<b>58.12</b>	<b>44.09</b>	<b>61.80</b>	<b>48.38</b>

Source: DGCI&S, Kolkata (\* Provisional)



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LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2512  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

**DECLINE IN EXPORTS**

**2512. KUNWAR BHARATENDRA:**

**SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:**

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

- (a) the details of the reasons for the continuous downfall in country's exports along with the steps taken by the Government to increase the exports;
- (b) the details of meeting convened with various export promotion councils along with the further consultations planned in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has stopped imports and exports during the last week of June and first week of July, 2017 due to Goods and Services Tax works; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the damage caused to Indian Industries as a result thereof?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a). India did not have a continuous downfall in exports. India had a positive annual export growth for the year April 2016-March 2017. In addition, India also had a positive export growth for the last nine months starting September 2016.

The Government has taken following steps to increase India's exports:

- (i) The New Foreign Trade Policy (2015-20) was announced on 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2015 with a focus on supporting both manufacturing and services exports.
- (ii) The Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS) has been introduced in the Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2015-20 on 01.04.2015 with the objective to offset infrastructural inefficiencies and associated costs involved in exporting goods/products which are produced/manufactured in India and to provide a level playing field to Indian exporters, especially those having high export intensity and employment potential. The Scheme incentivizes exporters in terms of freely transferable Duty Credit Scrips, which are transferable and can be used to pay certain Central duties/taxes including customs duties. The Scheme covers exports of 7914 tariff lines at 8 digit levels to all countries.

- (iii) The Services Exports from India Scheme (SEIS) has been introduced in the Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2015-20 on 01.04.2015. The Scheme provides rewards at the rate of 3 to 5% on Net Foreign Exchange earnings, to service providers of notified services from India to rest of the world, in the form of Duty Credit Scrips which are transferable and can be used to pay certain Central duties/taxes including customs duties.
- (iv) The Government has implemented the NiryatBandhu Scheme with an objective to reach out to the new and potential exporters including exporters from Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) and mentor them through orientation programmes, counseling sessions, individual facilitation etc., on various aspects of foreign trade for being able to get into international trade and boost exports from India.
- (v) As part of the “Ease of Doing Business” initiatives, the Government has launched Single Window Interface for Facilitating Trade (SWIFT) clearances project w.e.f 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2016. The scheme enables the importers/exporters to file a common electronic ‘Integrated Declaration’ on the Indian Customs Electronic Commerce/Electronic Data Interchange (EC/EDI) Gateway i.e. ICEGATE portal. The Integrated Declaration compiles the information requirements of Customs, FSSAI, Plant Quarantine, Animal Quarantine, Drug Controller, Wild Life Control Bureau and Textile Committee. It replaces nine separate forms required by these 6 different agencies and Customs.
- (vi) Interest Equalization Scheme on pre & post shipment credit was launched to provide cheaper credit to exporters.
- (vii) A new scheme called Special Advance Authorisation Scheme for export of articles of Apparel and Clothing Accessories was introduced w.e.f. 1st September 2016 wherein exporters are entitled for an authorisation for fabrics including inter lining on pre-import basis and all industry rate of Duty Drawback for non-fabric inputs on the exports.
- (viii) Further, the Government continues to provide the facility of access to duty free raw materials and capital goods for exports through schemes like Advance Authorization, Duty Free Import Authorization (DFIA), Export Promotion Capital Goods (EPCG) and drawback / refund of duties.
- (ix) The Government launched a new scheme called Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES) w.e.f. 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2017 with the objective to enhance export competitiveness by bridging gaps in export infrastructure, creating focused export infrastructure, first mile and last mile connectivity for export oriented projects and addressing quality and certification measures. The Central and State Agencies, including Export Promotion Councils, Commodities Boards, SEZ Authorities and Apex Trade Bodies recognised under the EXIM policy of Government of India are eligible for financial support under this scheme.
- (x) The Government has approved the proposal for notification of commitments under the Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA) of World Trade Organization (WTO), ratification and acceptance of the Instrument of Acceptance of Protocol of TFA to the WTO Secretariat and constitution of the National Committee on Trade Facilitation (NCTF). The Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA) contains provisions for expediting the movement, release and clearance of goods, including goods in transit. It also sets out measures for effective cooperation between customs and other appropriate authorities on trade facilitation and customs compliance issues. These objectives are in consonance with India’s “Ease of Doing Business” initiative.

(b) Government regularly consults the export promotion councils and other organizations on export related issues. Government has conducted 24 consultations in this calendar year with the export promotion councils in relation to mid-term review of the Foreign Trade Policy.

(c) No madam

(d) Question does not arise

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LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2517  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

**TRADE BETWEEN INDIA AND PAKISTAN**

**2517. SHRI KESINENI NANI:**

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

- the total quantity and value of trade between India and Pakistan during the last three years indicating the percentage of trade;
- the details of goods-wise split in terms of volume and percentage in imports and exports with Pakistan during the said period;
- whether Pakistan has not reciprocated the Most Favoured Nation (MFN) status to India; and
- if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for not cancelling the MFN status to Pakistan by India?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a): Since the unit for measurement of quantity varies across products, it is not possible to provide the total quantity of trade between India and Pakistan. However, the value of bilateral trade between India & Pakistan during the last three years, and its share of India's total trade, is given below:-

	Value in USD Million		
	<b>FY 2014-15</b>	<b>FY 2015-16</b>	<b>FY 2016-17</b>
India's Bilateral Trade with Pakistan(A)	2,354.49	2,612.16	2,288.19
India's Total Trade (B)	7,58,371.89	6,43,296.75	6,60,599.58
(A) as percentage of (B)	0.31%	0.41%	0.35%

Source:DGCI&S Database

(b): Details of the top 25 products imported from/exported to Pakistan in FY 2016-17, indicating value and percentage, for the last three years, are provided in Annexes 1 and 2.

(c)&(d): Article 1 of General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT),1994 requires every WTO member country to accord MFN status to all other member countries. Accordingly, India accords MFN status to all WTO member countries, including Pakistan.

However, Pakistan is yet to transition fully to Most Favoured Nation (MFN) status for India. It maintains a Negative List of 1209 products which are not allowed to be imported from India. In addition, Pakistan also permits only 137 products to be imported from India through Wagah/Attari border land route. In spite of these restrictions, India continues to maintain a substantial trade surplus with Pakistan. No decision has been taken to review the MFN status to Pakistan, so far.

## Annex 1

### Principal Commodities of Exports from India to Pakistan

Value in USD Million				
S.No.	Commodity	Apr-Mar 2015	Apr-Mar 2016	Apr-Mar 2017(P)
1	COTTON RAW INCLUDING WASTE	105.03	647.35	258.44
2	COTTON YARN	90.36	131.71	214.94
3	ORGANIC CHEMICALS	131.2	85.55	179.73
4	PLASTIC RAW MATERIALS	139.47	112.08	118.77
5	MANMADE YARN,FABRICS,MADEUPS	142.67	165.98	95.57
6	DYES	78.1	72.6	75.73
7	BULK DRUGS, DRUG INTERMEDIATES	68.63	65.81	71.33
8	INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY FOR DAIRY ETC	38.03	41.08	58.73
9	FRESH VEGETABLES	115.22	38.79	55.11
10	RESIDUL CHEMICAL AND ALLED PRODUCTS	62.96	40.75	53.43
11	COSMETICS AND TOILETRIES	38.09	46.53	51.99
12	DRUG FORMULATIONS, BIOLOGICALS	29.58	16.52	43.29
13	SUGAR	0.12	42.35	42.45
14	IRON AND STEEL	33.95	32.18	40.03
15	SPICES	50.73	38.55	30.7
16	GROUNDNUT	25.89	31.71	29.74
17	HANDICRAFTS (EXCLUDING HANDMADE CARPETS)	27.86	44.05	26.68
18	MANMADE STAPLE FIBRE	35.43	29.41	25.65
19	PULSES	46.84	62.99	23.57
20	AUTO TYRES AND TUBES	36.3	46.32	23.39
21	OTHR RUBBER PRODCT EXCEPT FOOTWEAR	14.21	12.7	17.9
22	TEA	19.89	30.25	17.55
23	AGRO CHEMICALS	11.96	16.79	16.73
24	INORGANIC CHEMICALS	11	10.15	13.79
25	AYUSH AND HERBAL PRODUCTS	19.12	18.62	13.67
	<b>Total of exports of top 25 commodities to Pakistan</b>	<b>1353.52</b>	<b>1862.2</b>	<b>1585.24</b>
	<b>India's total exports to Pakistan</b>	<b>1,857.28</b>	<b>2,171.15</b>	<b>1,831.86</b>
	<b>Percentage share of exports of top 25 commodities in total exports to Pakistan</b>	<b>72.88%</b>	<b>85.77%</b>	<b>86.54%</b>
	<b>India's total exports</b>	<b>3,10,338.48</b>	<b>2,62,290.13</b>	<b>2,76,280.29</b>
	<b>Percentage share of exports to Pakistan in total exports</b>	<b>0.60%</b>	<b>0.83%</b>	<b>0.66%</b>
P=Provisional				
Data Source:DGCI&S				

**Annex 2**

**Principal Commodities of Imports From Pakistan**

S.No.	Commodity	Value in USD Million		
		Apr-Mar 2015	Apr-Mar 2016	Apr-Mar 2017(P)
1	FRESH FRUITS	106.74	89.26	126.63
2	CEMENT, CLINKER AND ASBSTOS CEMENT	45.93	49.69	84.42
3	PETROLEUM PRODUCTS	106.22	116.39	78.56
4	BULK MINERALS AND ORES	9.2	17.24	21.51
5	FINISHED LEATHER	28.87	12.92	20.62
6	PROCESSED MINERALS	22.05	20.44	17.95
7	INORGANIC CHEMICALS	17.09	13.94	15.42
8	COTTON RAW INCLUDING WASTE	36.76	21.59	12.41
9	COTTON FABRICS, MADEUPS ETC.	23.68	18.84	11.8
10	GLASS AND GLASSWARE	16.03	5.97	7.76
11	SPICES	5.02	5.09	6.87
12	SURGICALS	4.83	2.74	6.71
13	WOOL, RAW	9.84	7.19	5.35
14	OTHR RUBBER PRODCT EXCPT FOOTWEAR	4.18	3.15	3.79
15	ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	2.41	3.28	3.47
16	MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS	2.36	1.5	2.66
17	RMG COTTON INCLUDING ACCESSORIES	1.99	1.53	2.07
18	MARINE PRODUCTS	0.11	0.52	2.07
19	PROCESSED FRUITS AND JUICES	0.98	1.39	1.77
20	MANMADE YARN,FABRICS,MADEUPS	1.72	0.81	1.38
21	PLASTIC RAW MATERIALS	16.7	7.21	1.36
22	DYES	0.23	0.21	1.23
23	RMG MANMADE FIBRES	0.51	0.87	1
24	SPORTS GOODS	1.62	1.09	0.93
25	COIR AND COIR MANUFACTURES			0.75
	<b>Total of imports of top 25 commodities from Pakistan</b>	<b>465.07</b>	<b>402.86</b>	<b>438.49</b>
	<b>India's total imports from Pakistan</b>	<b>497.31</b>	<b>441.02</b>	<b>456.33</b>
	<b>Percentage share of imports of top 25 commodities in total imports from Pakistan</b>	<b>93.52%</b>	<b>91.35%</b>	<b>96.09%</b>
	<b>India's total imports</b>	<b>4,48,033.41</b>	<b>3,81,006.63</b>	<b>3,84,319.29</b>
	<b>Percentage share of imports from Pakistan in total imports</b>	<b>0.11%</b>	<b>0.12%</b>	<b>0.12%</b>
				P=Provisional
				Data Source:DGCI&S

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

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2520  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

**SMALL TEA GROWERS**

**2520. SHRI SANKAR PRASAD DATTA:**

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

- the total number of small tea growers in various States of the country at present, State-wise;
- whether the Government proposes to unveil a new notification/ guidelines for setting up mini and micro factories for small tea growers through the Tea Board of India;
- if so, the details thereof along with the salient features of these guidelines; and
- the details of various benefits/ assistance being provided by the Government to small tea growers including the measures to boost their tea cultivation?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a): The total number of small tea growers in various states of the country at present, State-wise is given in the following Table:

Name of state	No. of growers
Assam	69284
West Bengal	35140
Tamil Nadu	45125
Kerala	8414
Tripura	2813
Himachal Pradesh	5897
Others*	13775
<b>Total</b>	<b>180448</b>

\* Other includes Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Manipur, Bihar, Sikkim, Uttarakhand.

- (b) & (c): The Central Government has already amended the Tea (Marketing) Control Order, 2003 vide notification S.O.21 dated 3.1.2017 thereby providing for establishment of Mini tea factories by small tea growers, association of small tea



growers or a producer company which sources all the required tea leaves from their own plantation for manufacturing and have a capacity to produce not more than 500 Kgs. of made tea per day. The Mini Tea Factories are exempted from obtaining any registration/no objection certificate for manufacturing tea. Only, a Certificate will have to be obtained from the 'Certifying Authority' of the Tea Board for selling manufactured or hold stock of tea.

- (d): In order to boost cultivation of tea by small tea growers, the Central Government through Tea Board provides financial assistance to the small tea growers for New Planting, Replanting, Rejuvenation pruning, Irrigation, Field mechanization, etc. During the period 2012-13 to 2016-17, a sum of Rs.14.82 Crs. has been spent for the benefit of small tea growers.

A separate Small Growers Directorate is operational in Dibrugarh, Assam to look after the developmental needs of the small tea growers by way of extending regular technical support/training, helping them to organize Self Help Groups (SHGs) and motivating them for establishing their own processing factories.

Government has set up District Level Price Monitoring Committees headed by the District Commissioner / District Magistrate to monitor the green leaf price paid by tea factories to the small tea growers.

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LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2521  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

LEATHER EXPORTS

2521. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:

SHRI ARKA KESHARI DEO:

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

- whether the leather export from the country has increased in recent years and if so, the details of leather export in terms of rupees during the last three years and the current year;
- the names of the first top five leather exports countries during the said period;
- whether the Government has any plan to increase leather exports in the next two years and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken in this regard;
- the number of people employed directly in the leather industry along with the value of leather exports to India; and
- whether the Government has put in place any alternate employment measures to safeguard the people employed in the leather industry who have been affected by the ban on trade of cattle for slaughter and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) No Madam. The export value of leather, leather products & footwear during last 3 years and current year (in million rupee) terms is as follows:

(Figures in million rupees)

2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18 (April-May, 2017) (P)
397118.71	383321.67	380024.07	58851.86

P- Provisional

(b) Year-wise ranking of leather exporting countries:

Rank	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
1	China	China	China

2	Italy	Italy	Italy
3	Vietnam	Vietnam	Vietnam
4	Hong Kong, China	France	France
5	France	Hong Kong, China	Hong Kong, China

(Source:Council for Leather Exports(CLE))

**(c)** Yes, Madam. Steps have been taken for quality up-gradation of leather products to improve competitiveness in international markets. Also, the Merchandise Exports from India Scheme(MEIS), Interest Equalisation Scheme, Export Promotion Capital Goods Scheme (EPCG), Market Access Initiative Scheme (MAI) and Duty Free Import Scheme (DFIS) have provisions to boost exports of leather and leather products.

**(d)** The number of people employed directly in the leather industry is estimated at 3.09 million.The value of exports of leather and leather products to India during 2016-17 was USD 1215.52 million (Source: CLE).

**(e)** Does not arise.

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LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2530  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31<sup>st</sup> JULY, 2017

**CONCERNS OF EXPORTERS**

**2530. SHRI B. SRIRAMULU:**

**SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has discussed the concerns of exporters and is engaged in intensive interdepartmental consultations with the Department of Revenue and the Ministry of Finance on concerns related to GST;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Ministry has directed its officers to consider all the issues appropriately for Mid-Term Review of Foreign Trade Policy and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Ministry is planning to approach the GST Council to restore some of the lost benefits of exporters due to changes made in existing incentive schemes to align them with GST and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Ministry has given representation before the World Bank regarding India's placement in its 'Doing Business' 2017 report and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the World Bank thereto; and
- (f) the major steps being taken by the Ministry for business and industry sector amid confusion about GST?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a) & (b) Yes Madam. Meetings and inter-departmental consultations are being held regularly to address the concerns of exporters related to GST.
- (c) Efforts are made to address the concerns of the exporters on a regular basis to the extent possible. A comprehensive review is undertaken during the mid-term review of the Foreign Trade Policy.
- (d) The issues raised by the exporters which are under the jurisdiction of the GST Council are taken up for its consideration. The representation received from the trade associations have been forwarded for the consideration of the Council.

- (e) The World Bank team interacts with the Government as well as private organisations to gather data for use in its Doing Business report regarding reforms undertaken by the Central & State Governments. The reforms are informed to the World Bank's "Doing Business Team" for inclusion in the report regularly. India has improved its rank during the last two years with significant improvement under the electricity parameter.
  
- (f) Government has adopted a multipronged strategy to make people aware of the details of the GST. This includes extensive use of TV, Radio and Newspapers to reach the people in cities and rural India. All ministries have launched ambitious outreach programmes for resolving the issues faced at the field level. The GST awareness campaign led by Central Board of Excise and Customs alone has so far conducted more than 4000 outreach programs across the country. In addition, Sectoral guidebooks and FAQs have been placed on the websites of the departments.

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