

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

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 51 (H)
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

BAN ON IMPORT OF CHINESE PRODUCTS

*51(H). SHRIMATI KESHARI DEVI PATEL:
SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

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

- (a) the details and the number of Chinese products whose import is proposed to be banned by the Government;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to ban Chinese mobile phones which emit excessive radiation and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details along with the number of imported Chinese products whose samples reportedly failed the tests conducted by Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS);
- (d) whether the Government has identified/proposes to identify and ban the imported Chinese products whose quality is really bad; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be done?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)
THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 51(H) FOR ANSWER ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020
REGARDING “BAN ON IMPORT OF CHINESE PRODUCTS”.**

(a). Import policy for goods is free except when regulated by way of ‘Prohibition’, ‘Restriction’ and ‘Exclusive Trading through State Trading Enterprises(STEs) on the grounds of (i) public morals, (ii) protection of human, animal or plant life and health, (iii) protection of patents and copy rights, (iv) protection of national treasures of artistic, historical and archaeological value, (v) conservation of exhaustible resources, (vi) prevention of trade in fissionable materials, (vii) of traffic in arms, ammunitions and implements of war. At present, there are more than 550 tariff lines under these three regulated categories which are applicable for all countries. Government from time to time reviews import policy and takes appropriate action as the situation warrants. Since 2008 Government has prohibited import of milk and milk products including chocolate and chocolate products and candies/ confectionery/ food preparations with milk or milk solids as ingredients only from China on the grounds of protecting human health and life. In the recent past, Government has banned import of Polymethyl methacrylate, e-cigarettes, plastic waste, pet flakes made out of used pet bottles and National flag not conforming to Flag Code of India from all countries. Further, Bio-fuels, agarbatti and refined palm oil have been put under restricted list of import from all countries.

(b) & (c). The radiation level of mobile handsets is subject to a Specific Absorption Rate (SAR) value limit of 1.6 Watt/Kg averaged over a mass of 1 gram of human tissue. All the mobile handset manufacturers, both indigenous and imported, have to provide a self-declaration in respect of SAR value based on certification from internationally accredited labs or accredited by Telecom Engineering Centre (TEC), India to TEC. Such self-declared SAR limits shall be subjected to TEC audit as and when required. This SAR level is applicable to all mobile handset manufactured indigenously as well as imported to India.

Compulsory registration under “Electronics and Information Technology Goods (Requirement of Compulsory Registration) Order, 2012” which addresses safety standards is required for 44 notified electronic products including mobile phones. The stock, sale, import, manufacture etc without having valid Registration and Standard Mark of these items is prohibited. The details of cases pertaining to China which failed the prescribed standards of the Order are placed at **Annexure**.

(d) & (e). As per the Foreign Trade Policy, imported goods are subject to domestic laws, rules, orders, regulations, technical specifications, environmental and safety norms and to that extent Indian consumers are protected from low quality/substandard goods. The mandatory BIS/other standards are applicable to imported goods also. Import of food/edible items are subject to FSSAI standards. Import of plant & plant based products are subject to Plant Quarantine measures and sanitary & phyto-sanitary measures. Import of animal & animal based products are subject to sanitary import permits. These provisions apply to Chinese goods also, and have been used from time to time, as indicated above.

ANNEXURE**ANNEXURE IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 51 FOR 5TH FEBRUARY 2020
REGARDING "BAN ON IMPORT OF CHINESE PRODUCTS"**

S. NO.	MANUFACTURER	PRODUCT CATEGORY
1	Saeaudio Co., Ltd.-No.39, East Wenjiao Road, Heshun, Nanhai, Foshan, Guangdong, China	Amplifiers With Input Power 2000w And Above
2	Qm(Shanghai) Technology Co., Ltd-Building7, No.1-8, Alley18, Sanzhuang Road, Songjiang Exportzone, Shanghai 201613 P.R. China	Mobile Phones
3	Weihai Xinxing Digital Electronics Co., Ltd.-98 Jinzhou Road, Weihaigao District, Weihaihi-Tech Industries Development Zone, Shangdong, China	Printers, Plotters
4	Summit Automation Co., Ltd.-Lianda Industrial Park, Ludu Town.Taicang City, Jiangsu Province China, .	Power Adaptors For IT Equipments
5	Sanyo Electronics (Dongguan)Co Ltd-Hongye Industry Area, Tangxia Town, Dongguan City, Guangdong Prov.523710 China	Automatic Data Processing Machine
6	Delta Video Display System(Wujiang) Ltd-Wujiang Economic Development Zone, 1688 Jiangxing East Rd, Wujiang Jiangsu, 215200 China	Automatic Data Processing Machine
7	Boayang Electronics Co., Ltd-Difeng Gonyequ2hao, Xian Shaliuwu Village, Shipai Town, Dongguan City, Guangdong Province, China	Power Adaptors For IT Equipments
8	Shenzhen Xinguodu Technology Co., Ltd. Manufacture Branch.-Buildingc, Dagang Industrial Park, Changzhen Community, Gongming Office, Guangming New District, Shenzhen, Guangdong, China.	Point Of Sale Terminals
9	Shenzheng-Cell Electronics Co., Ltd.-Floor3, Building 2, Wandu Industrial Park, Xikeng Road, Guanlanstreet, Longhuanew District, Shenzhen, China518109	Power Banks For Use In Portable Applications
10	Shine Key Industry Co Limited-Floor2, No.615, Huawei Road, Zjuhai City, Guangdong China	Printers, Plotters
11	Suzhoushin-Eisangyoco Ltd-158-106, 108huashan Roadnew District, Suzhou215011p.R. China	Automatic Data Processing Machine
12	Yingtan Yankon Lighting Co., Ltd-Yujiang Industrialzone, Yujiangcounty, Jiangxiprovince, China	Fixed General Purpose Led Luminaires
13	Guangzhou Shirui Electronics Co., Ltd-192, Kezhu Road, Sciencetech Park, Guangzhou Economic& Technology Development District, Guangzhou Guangdong China-510663	Automatic Data Processing Machine

14	Phoniccorporation-Instrumentpa Electronic Co. Ltd, Shenzhenbuilding1, No.21-1, Tuyang2nd Industrial Park, Kuiyongtown, Longgang District, Shenzhen City Guangdong , China	Amplifiers With Input Power 2000w And Above
15	Delta Electronics Power(Dongguan) Co., Ltd.-Delta Industrial Estate, Shijietown, Dongguan City, Guangdong Province523308 China	Power Adaptors For IT Equipments
16	Shenzhen Okey Technology Co., Ltd.-The 3rd Building Hongdu Industrial Park, Xixiang Town, Baoan District, Shenzhen, China	Power Adaptors For Audio, Video& Similar Electronic Apparatus
17	Shenzhen Bajunda Electronic Co., Ltd-F/2, Bldgc, Keshangmei Industrial Park, Chongqing Road, High-Techarea, Heping Village, Fuyong Town, Baoan District, Shenzhen City, Guangdong Province.P.R. China.	Power Adaptors For IT Equipments
18	Citizen Systems(Jiangmen) Co Ltd-Bldg.C, 399jinxing Road, Jianghai District Jiangmen, Guangdong 529000 China	Printers, Plotters
19	Guangdong Galanz Microwave Oven And Electrical Appliances Manufacturing Co., Ltd.-No.25th South Ronggui Road, Ronggui, Shunde, Foshan Guangdong Province 528305 China	Microwave Ovens
20	Voltronic Power Technology (Shenzhen)Corp.-1-4f, Building5, 3fbuilding7, Yusheng Industrial Park, No.467, (Gushucrossing), Section Xixiang, National Highway107, Xixiang, Baoan District, Shenzhen, China	UPS/Invertors
21	Coretronic Projection (Kunshan) Corporation-No.20, 3rdave, Kunshan Free Trade Zone, Jiangsu P.R. China	Automatic Data Processing Machine
22	TPV Electronics (Fujian) Co. Ltd.-Shangzhen, Yuanhong Road, Fuqing City, Fujianprovince, Fuzhou Citypr China	Visual Display Units, Videos Monitors
23	Brother Technology (Shenzhen) Ltd.-No.6gold Garden Ind.Nanling, Nanwan, Longgang, Shenzhen, P.R. China	Printers, Plotters
24	Delta Video Display System (Wujiang) Ltd.-Wujiangeconomic Development Zone, 1688 Jiang Xing Eastrd Wujiang, Jiangsu, China	Automatic Data Processing Machine
25	Lian Zheng Electronic(Shenzhen) Co., Ltd.-No.4, Liufangrd, Block67baoan, Shenzhen, Guangdong , P.R. China	UPS/Invertors
26	Tpv Electronics (Fujian) Co. Ltd.-Yuanhongrd, Shang-Zheng, Hong-Lu, Fuqing City, Fujian, China	Visual Display Units, Videos Monitors
27	Dragonball Technology Limited-Building1, Goldenhenry Industrial Park, Jiangbainvillage, Songgangtown, Baoan District, Shenzhen City, China	Wireless Keyboards

28	Shenzhen Kstar Science And Technology Co., Ltd. Guangming Branch-Kstar High Tech Park, Guangming High Technology Town, Gongming Street, Baoan District, Shenzhen City, Guangdong Province, P.R. China	UPS/Invertors
29	Shenzhen Kstar Science And Technology Co., Ltd. Guangming Branch -Kstar Hightech Park, Guangming High Technology Town, Gongming Street, Baoan District, Shenzhen City, Guangdong Province, P.R. China	UPS/Invertors
30	Mitac Computer(Shunde) Ltd-No.1, Shunda Road, Lunjiao, Shunde, Foshan Guangdong, Pr China	Automatic Data Processing Machine
31	Delta Electronics(Wuhu) Ltd-Exportprocessingzones, Wuhu City, Anhui province, P.R. China	DC Or Ac Supplied Electronic Control gear For Led Modules
32	Shenzhen Ruide Electronic Industrial Co. Ltd.-2ndfloor, Block2, Minqi Scientific Zone, Honghualing, Xili, Nanshan District, Shenzhen, China	Sealed Secondary Cells/Batteries Containing Alkaline Or Other Non-Acid Electrolytes For Use In Portable Applications
33	Coretronic Projection (Kunshan) Corporation-No.20, 3rd Ave, Kunshan Free Trade Zone, Jiangsu, P.R. China	Automatic Data Processing Machine
34	Kunshan Dynapack Electronic Technology Co., Ltd. -No.68taoyuan Road, Kunshanfree Trade Zone, Areab, Kunshan, Jiangsu, P.R. China	Sealed Secondary Cells/Batteries Containing Alkaline Or Other Non-Acid Electrolytes For Use In Portable Applications
35	Kodak Alaris Imaging Equipment(Shanghai) Co. Ltd-B6-F1no.1510 Chunqiao Road, Jinqiao Economic & Technological Development Zone, Newpudong, District, Shanghai China	Scanners
36	Wendeng Jeil Electronics Co., Ltd-2, Xiamen Road, Wendeng economic Development Zone, Weihai City, Shandong province, 264400, China	Power Adaptors For IT Equipments
37	Konica Minolta Business Technologies (Wuxi) Co., Ltd. -No.2, Changjiang South Road, New District wuxi, Jiangsu214028p.R. China	Printers, Plotters
38	Sichuan Dowlab Electronics Technology Co Ltd-No.1, Wenjiastreet, Qingyang District, Chengdu, Sichuan610091, China	Visual Display Units, Videos Monitors
39	Chicony Power Technology(Suzhou) Co., Ltd-No.2379, Zhongshan north Road, Wujiang economic and Technological Development Zone, Jiangsuprovince, China	Power Adaptors For IT Equipments
40	Anf company limited-No.8, 1st Industrial Road, Xingwei village, Fuyong, Shenzhen, Pin, 518103, China	Electronic Games(Video)/Hand Held Games
41	Tech-Com(Shanghai) Computer Co. Ltd., 68 Sanzhuangrd, Songjiang Export Processing Zone, Shanghai, China	Laptop/Notebook/Tablet
42	Hongkong U Media Limited, Room402, Bld, 7, F518 idealand baoyuan ROAD, Bao'An District Shenzhen, China	Laptop/Notebook/Tablet

43	Shenzhen Chuang Weirgb Electronics Co Ltd, Enzhen Ghuagwei Rgb Electronics Co. Ltd., Skyworth Science Park, Tangtou Industrial Zone, Shiyan Town, Baoan, District, Shenzhen, China	Plasma/LCD/LED Televisions
44	Shenzhen Hanpin Technology Co., Ltd, Room401 Block B, Tsinghua Unis Inforport, No.13langshanrd, Hi-Tech Park(North), Nanshan District, Shenzhen, China	Power Banks For Use In Portable Applications
45	Guangdong Galanz Microwave Oven And Electrical Appliances Manufacturing Co., Ltd., No.25south Ronggui Road, Ronggui, Shunde, Foshan, Guangdong , China	Microwave Ovens
46	Zuhai Brother Industries Co. Ltd., 58 Ganger Road, Gongbei, Zhuhai Citys.E.Z., Guangdong , China	Scanners
47	Acmaudiomanufacturing Co. Ltd., Hengdong, 2nd Road, Shilling Industrial District Hengkeng Liaobu, Dongguan, Guangdong 523413 China	Amplifiers With Input Power 2000w And Above
48	Guangdong Midea Microwave And Electrical Appliances Manufacturing Co., Ltd., No.6, Yongan Road, Beijiao, Shunde, Foshan, Guangdong , P.R. China Pin 528311	Microwave Ovens
49	Guangdong Midea Microwave And Electrical Appliances Manufacturing Co. Ltd, Road, Beijiao, Shunde, Foshan Guangdong 528311 China	Microwave Ovens
50	Dongguan Leader Electronics Inc., No.1, INDUSTRIAL Area, Tangxiatown, Dongguan CITY, GUANGDONG Province, CHINA	Power Adaptors For IT Equipments
51	VSO Technology(HK) CO., LTD., No.58, Long Tou ROAD, Longjiantian, Huangjian, Dongguan, GUANGDONG , CHINA	Wireless Keyboards
52	Toho Kuricoh(Fuzhou) Printing Products Co. Ltd, No.2, M95 11 Industry Factory, Kuaian District, Fuzhou Development Zone, Fujian China350015	Scanners
53	Toshiba Information Equipment(Hangzhou). Co. Ltd, M12-19-1, Hangzhou Export Processing Zone Of Zhejiang, Hangzhou, P.R. China	Laptop/Notebook/Tablet
54	Guangzhou Tandberg Electronic Components Co. Ltd., No.2, Zhongyuan Rd, Pingshan Villageno.1, Guangzhou-511495(CHINA)	Automatic Data Processing Machine
55	Hitachidigitalproducts China Co. Ltd, 98 Dongshan Road, Gushan Fuzhou, Fujian, China	Visual Display Units, Videos Monitors
56	Guangdong Galanz Microwave Oven And Electrical Appliances Manufacturing Co., Ltd., No.25 Ronggui Nan Road, Shunde District, Foshan City, Guangdong , China 528305	Microwave Ovens
57	Toshiba Tec Information Systems(Shenzhen) Co. Ltd, No.7, 9, 28 Dayang Road, Fu Yong Streets, Bao An District, Shenzhen Guangdong 518103, China	Automatic Data Processing Machine

58	DIGITEK(Chongqing) LIMITED, Digitek(Chongqing)Limited, B01, Sectionc Airport Function Zone, Lianglucuntanfreetradeportarea, Yubei District chongqing CITY, 400025, CHINA	Laptop/Notebook/Tablet
59	HUAWEI MACHINE CO LTD+C970, 2 Cityavenue Songshan Lake Sci. &Tech. Industry PARK, Dongguan, 523808 CHINA	Automatic Data Processing Machine
60	Shenzhen Pilot Technology CO., LTD, 301, 3 rd Floor Of A1 Building, No.7 Shankeng ROAD, Shankeng INDUSTRIAL PARK, Shanxia Community, Pinghu Street, Longgang DISTRICT, Shenzhen, CHINA.	Power Banks For Use In Portable Applications
61	Zhonghan Electronics(Shenzhen) CO., LTD., Building A2 In Sectiona, Building4, 6, 7insectionc, Juyuan INDUSTRIAL Zone, Tangwei Village, Fuyongtown, Baoandist., Shenzhen CITY, GUANGDONG , CHINA	Power Adaptors For IT Equipments
62	Zhuhai Pantum Electronics CO., LTD., Area A, 3rdfloor, Buildingno.1, No.3883, Zhuhai Avenue, Zhuhai, GUANGDONG , CHINA	Printers, Plotters
63	Shenzhen Coosea Technology Co. Ltd, Town Rich Road, Baiyun Industry Zone No.958, Dongguan, Guangdong China	Laptop/Notebook/Tablet
64	Shenzhenjenselectricco Ltd, 71bld. Changxing Industrial Zone, Changzhen Gaungming Shenzhen(China)	Microwave Ovens
65	Dongguan AmpereX Technology Limited, Songshanlakeindustry PARK, Dongguan CITY, GUANGDONG Province, P.R. CHINA	Sealed Secondary Cells/Batteries Containing Alkaline Or Other Non-Acid Electrolytes For Use In Portable Applications
66	Teco Image Systems(Dongguan) Co., Ltd., 1f, No.1yuyuan Industrial Estate, Haungjiang Town, Dongguan City, Guangdong Province, P.R. China	Printers, Plotters
67	TECH-FRONT(CHONGQING)COMPUTERCO LTD, 18zongbaordshapingba Districtchongqing CHINA	Laptop/Notebook/Tablet
68	Inventec Technology Corporation, N 789, Puxing Road, Caohejing Export Processing Zone, Shanghai2011114, China	Automatic Data Processing Machine
69	Unifive Technology(Shenzhen) CO., LTD., Room101, 201, 301, E, Datianyang INDUSTRIAL Zone Of Longmen, Songgang Town, Baoan, Shenzhen518105, CHINA	Power Adaptors for IT Equipments
70	Guangdong Midea Microwave And Electrical Appliances Co. Ltd, Turing Co. Ltd., No.6, Yongan Road, Beijiao, Shunde, Foshan, Guangdong , P.R. Chinapin528311	Microwave Ovens
71	Delta Electronics(Jiangsu) LTD., 215200, No.1688 East Jiangxing ROAD Economic And Technology Development Zone, Wujiang, Jiangsuprovince, P.R. CHINA	Power Adaptors For IT Equipments
72	Heyday Global Limited, F17, Baoli Building No.14 Jingle Road, Zhuai Gaungdong 519015 China	Printers, Plotters

73	Huizhoubyd Electronic CO., LTD, Xiangshui River, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ZONE, Dayabay, Huizhou, GUANGDONG , PR CHINA	Mobile Phones
74	Amc Electronics Mfy, Yangtian ROAD, Longhe INDUSTRIAL Zone, Longgang Village, Longgang Town, Longgang DISTRICT, Shenzhen, GUANGDONG , P.R. CHINA	Power Adaptors For IT Equipments
75	Shenzhen Vinsdom Electronic CO., LTD, B 4thfloor, Building2, Yangbei INDUSTRIAL PARK Third Phase, Baoan DISTRICT, Shenzhen, CHINA	Laptop/Notebook/Tablet
76	Tech-Front(Chongqing)Computer Co., Ltd., 18#, Zongbao Road, Shapingba District, Chongqing, China	Laptop/Notebook/Tablet
77	Anf Company Limited, No.8, 1st INDUSTRIAL ROAD, Xinweivillage, Fuyong, Shenzhen, CHINA	Electronic Games(Video)/HandHeld Games
78	Guangdong Midea Microwave And Electrical Appliances Co. Ltd, No.6 Yongan Rd Beijiao Shunde Guangdong 528311p.R. China	Microwave Ovens
79	Foxda Technology Industrial (Shenzhen) Co. Ltd, , Block1, Foxda Industrial Park, Lanzhu Rd, Shenzhen Grand Industrial Zone, Pingshan New District, Shenzhen 518122, P.R. China	Laptop/Notebook/Tablet
80	Sichuan Chang Hong Network Tecnologies Co. Ltd, 35, East Mianxing Road Hightech Park, Miangyang Sichuan, China 621000	Set Top Box
81	RICO HASIA INDUSTRY(Shenzhen) LTD, Coloetv Industrialzone, Northuang Guang ROAD, Shenzhen Guandong 518026, People's Republic Of CHINA	Printers, Plotters
82	Guangdong Midea Microwave And Electrical Appliances Manufacturing Co., An Road, Beijiao, Shunde, Foshan, Guangdong , P.R. China Pin 528311	Microwave Ovens
83	COLORTRAC IMAGING SYSTEMS(SUZHOU)CO LTD, 57, Dongjing Industrialzone, #2Dongfu ROAD, Suzhou INDUSTRIAL PARK, Suzhou, Jiangsu215123, CHINA	Scanners
84	Tech-Com (Shanghai) Computer Co Ltd , No.68, Sanzhuang Road, Songjiang Export Processing Zone Shangai201613, P.R. China	Laptop/Notebook/Tab let
85	Jabil Circuit(Guangzhou) Limited, 3dong Qin Road East Section, Guangzhou Economic And Technological Development District, Guangdong Province, Guangdong , China510530	Printers, Plotters
86	Sichuan Digital Telemedia Co., Ltd. Shenzhenfactory, Datian Xiaoqu, Tongfuyu Industrial Park, Buyong, Shajing Street, Boan District, Shenzhen, Pr China	Set Top Box
87	Tech-Front(Chongqing)Computer Co., Ltd., No.18, Zongbao Road, Shapingba District Chongqing, China	Laptop/Notebook/Tablet
88	Guangdong Galanz Microwave Oven And Electrical Appliances Manufacturing Co., Ltd., 25 South Ronggui Road, Ronggui, Shunde, Foshan, Guangdong , China528305	Microwave Ovens

89	Guangdong Midea Kitchen Appliances Manufacturing Co Ltd, No.6, Yongan Road, Beigiao Shunde, Guangdong China	Microwave Ovens
90	COTEK Electronics (SUZHOU) CO., LTD., 288, Mayun Rd New Districtsuzhoujiangsu215011, CHINA	Laptop/Notebook/Tablet

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

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 58
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES

*58. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

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

- (a) the details of the Special Economic Zones (SEZs) in the country, State/UT-wise along with the share of SEZs in the total export from the country during the last four years;
- (b) whether the Government has set up or has any proposal to set up any SEZ in the North Eastern Region (NER) and if so, the details and the locations thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has explored setting up of such zones in various States in the NER to boost trade with neighbouring countries and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has appointed any Panel for this purpose and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the said Panel has suggested any changes in the SEZ Rules and if so, the details thereof along with the decision taken, if any, by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)
THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

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

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 58 FOR ANSWER ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020
REGARDING "SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES".**

(a): In addition to Seven Central Government Special Economic Zones (SEZs) and 12 State/Private Sector SEZs, which were set-up prior to the enactment of the SEZs Act, 2005, approvals have been accorded to 422 proposals for setting up of SEZs in the country by State Governments/private investors. Presently, out of 372 notified SEZs a total of 238 SEZs are operational. States/UTs-wise details are available at www.sezindia.nic.in. The export data of country vis-à-vis SEZs during the last four years is as under:-

Financial Year	Total exports (goods + services) of the Country (INR-Crs) *	Total exports (goods + services) of the SEZs (INR-Crs)*	% share of the SEZs exports in the total exports of the country
2015-16	2726635	467337	17.14
2016-17	2950736	523637	17.75
2017-18	3213959	581033	18.08
2018-19	3746613	701179	18.72

**Source: DGCIS & RBI website and NSDL*

(b) and (c): SEZs being setup under the SEZ Act, 2005 and SEZ Rules, 2006 are primarily private investment driven initiatives and no funds are sanctioned by the Central Government for setting up the SEZ. Permissible fiscal/duty benefits are available to SEZ developers and Units. The Board of Approval (BoA) in Department of Commerce approves a proposal for establishment of a Special Economic Zone (SEZ) subject to the terms and conditions prescribed in the SEZ Act, 2005 and Rules, 2006 as amended from time to time. The approval is granted only after the concerned State Government recommends the setting up of the SEZ. Central Government had notified 4 SEZs in North Eastern Region. The details of SEZs are at **Annexure**.

(d) and (e): Central Government has not appointed any panel for this purpose. However, a Group of eminent persons under the Chairmanship of Shri Baba Kalyani was formed by the Central Government vide Department of Commerce Order dated 04.06.2018 to study the SEZ Policy of India. The Group submitted its report to Hon'ble CIM on 19.11.2018. A number of recommendations of the Group have already been implemented which are enclosed as **Appendix**.

Annexure to the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 58 for 5th February, 2020

The detail of SEZs in North Eastern Region						
Sl. No.	State wise Sl. No.	Name of the Developer	Location	Type of SEZ	Area (hectares)	Date of Notification
	MANIPUR					
1	1	Manipur IT SEZ Project Development Company Ltd.	Imphal, Manipur	IT/ITES	10.85	26th February, 2014
	NAGALAND					
2	1	Nagaland Industrial Development Corporation Limited	Ganeshnagar Under Dhansiri Sub-Division, Dimapur District, Nagaland.	Agro and Food Processing	50.7	9th July 2009
3	2	H.N. Company	Dimapur, Nagaland	Multi Product	290	15th October, 2012
	TRIPURA					
4	1	Tripura Industrial Development Corporation Limited	Paschim Jalefa, Sabroom, South Tripura District, Tripura	Agro Based Food Processing	16.35	16th December, 2019

APPENDIX TO LSSQ 58 FOR ANSWER on 05.02.2020

The recommendations of the Group which have already been acted upon are as follows.

- Review specific exclusions proposed in NFE computation in light of “Make in India” initiative, especially projects of economic importance - The recommendation sought that the status quo prior to 19.09.2018 should be retained. Accordingly, the same was implemented through a suitable amendment to the SEZ Rules in March-2019.
- Sharing of duty exempted assets/ infrastructure between units to be allowed against specific approval – This recommendation was implemented through a suitable Clarification issued on 11.06.2019 for allowing usage of common infrastructure like canteen / datacenters etc among SEZ units against specific approval.
- Inclusion of indigenous goods in NFE computation should be excluded as there is no foreign exchange outflow on procurement of indigenous goods and same is contrary to the objective of NFE and principles followed for EOUs - The same was implemented through a suitable amendment to the SEZ Rules in March-2019.
- Formalize “de-notification” process for enclaves and delink its present mandatory usage for SEZs purpose only - This recommendation was implemented through a suitable Clarification dated 28.01.2019 issued to all DCs with copy to State/UTs which relaxed the mandatory usage requirement that stipulated that the denotified land shall be used for SEZ purpose only.
- Support to enable servicification of manufacturing zones. Allowing manufacturing enabling services companies e.g. R&D services, engineering design services, logistics service – This recommendation has been implemented through a suitable amendment to Rule 5 of the SEZ rules on 17.12.2019 which rendered all existing and future SEZs as multi-sector SEZs thereby allowing for the co-existence of SEZ units of any sector with any other sector.
- Broad-banding definition of services/allowing multiple services to come together - This recommendation has been implemented through a suitable amendment to Rule 5 of the SEZ rules on 17.12.2019 which rendered all existing and future SEZs as multi-sector SEZs thereby allowing for the co-existence of SEZ units of any sector with any other sector.
- Review/relax minimum land/built-up area requirement - This recommendation has been implemented through a suitable amendment to Rule 5 of the SEZ rules on 17.12.2019 which relaxed the minimum land area requirement for setting up a multi-sector SEZ from the erstwhile requirement of 500 hectares to 50 hectares.
- Developer should be allowed flexibility to enter into a long term lease agreement with stakeholders in Zones in line with the State policies - This recommendation was implemented through an instruction No. 98 dated 29.08.2019 which relaxed the earlier stipulation of maximum lease period of 30 years to allow flexibility in lease tenure which would be in line with the maximum tenure allowed under the state / local government law / regulations.
- The application for constructing minimum built up area by Developer or Co-developer beyond a period of ten years from the date of notification of the Special Economic Zone to be considered by BOA on merits of each case - This recommendation has been

implemented through a suitable amendment to Rule 5 of the SEZ rules on 17.12.2019 thereby empowering the Board of Approval to consider proposals for extensions for period beyond earlier stipulated ten years based on the merits of each case.

- Enabling provisions for transfer of approval from one co-developer to other co-developer – This recommendation has been examined and is being implemented through the mechanism of Board of Approvals which examines and approves such proposals on the merits of each case.
- Funding mechanism for last mile connectivity for SEZs - A mechanism for funding such requirement of last mile connectivity infrastructure has enabled through the existing scheme of TIES which has been clarified through suitable instruction to Development Commissioners in Jan-2020.

Besides the recommendations of the Group, the following further steps have been taken towards enabling ease of doing business and enhancing flexibility.

- Delegation of powers to Development Commissioner for shifting of SEZ unit from one SEZ to another within their jurisdiction – Earlier such proposals for shifting of SEZ units from one SEZ to another were processed and approved at the level of Commerce Secretary which has now been delegated to the level of jurisdictional Development Commissioners.
- Enable a trust to be considered eligible to set-up a unit in a SEZ, including a unit to be set-up in the International Financial Services Centre (IFSC). This will also provide flexibility to GoI to include any entity that may be required to be notified from time to time to set-up a unit in a SEZ
- Setting up of cafeteria, gymnasium, creche and other similar facilities / amenities allowed to SEZ units – The request of SEZ units to set up facilities such as cafeteria, gymnasium, creche and other similar facilities / amenities were allowed through a suitable Instruction dated 11.06.2019.
- Revised guidelines for Work from Home policy – The revised guidelines were enabled through an amendment to the SEZ Rules in March-2019 to allow for employees of SEZ units to work for home.
- Uniform list of services to SEZ – This provides for a broad list of input services that could be utilized by SEZ units for their day-to-day operations thereby avoiding the requirement of the units to seek permission of Development Commissioners for each such instance.

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 469
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

TRADE IN AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

469. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:

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

- (a) the net value in rupees of agricultural exports from India as well as imports to India year-wise and product-wise, between 2004 and 2018;
- (b) the quantity of agricultural exports from India as well as import to India year-wise and product wise between 2004 and 2018;
- (c) whether the net value of imports for agricultural commodities is higher than its export; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the product-wise and year-wise classification?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)
THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a & b) Details of value and quantity of agricultural exports from India, year-wise and product-wise from 2004-05 to 2018-19 are at **Annexure-I**. Details of value and quantity of agricultural imports to India, year-wise and product-wise from 2004-05 to 2018-19, are at **Annexure-II**.

- (c) No, sir. The year-wise details of exports and imports are given at Annexure I & II.
- (d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

Annexure-I

Export of Agriculture Products from India (2004-05 to 2008-09)

Export of Agriculture Products from India (2004-05 to 2008-09)											
Qty. in thousand units; Value in Rs. Crore											
DESCRIPTION	UNIT	2004-05		2005-06		2006-07		2007-08		2008-09	
		Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
TEA	KG	183407.88	1840.30	162856.23	1730.73	185627.14	1969.51	197393.10	2034.17	207455.36	2688.87
COFFEE	KG	167547.91	1069.08	177684.66	1588.69	213650.43	1969.00	178302.70	1872.27	174081.30	2255.76
PULSES	TON	271.66	602.58	447.47	1115.21	250.72	773.34	164.21	526.41	136.28	540.22
RICE –BASMOTI	TON	1168.15	2824.11	1166.60	3043.10	1045.75	2792.81	1182.16	4340.82	1556.42	9477.03
RICE(OTHER THAN BASMOTI)	TON	3665.11	3944.81	2921.63	3178.17	3702.24	4243.10	5287.03	7410.98	931.89	1687.37
WHEAT	TON	2009.05	1459.82	746.18	557.53	46.64	35.35	0.24	0.24	1.12	1.46
OTHER CEREALS	TON	1182.04	793.83	567.24	453.82	730.28	599.25	3228.06	3002.33	3999.65	3920.58
DAIRY PRODUCTS		0.00	458.79	0.00	794.61	0.00	497.09	0.00	960.24	0.00	1130.08
FLORICLTR PRODUCTS		0.00	222.92	0.00	301.45	0.00	652.70	0.00	340.30	0.00	368.81
TOBACCO UNMANUFACTURED	KG	135787.81	940.07	142702.35	1021.32	158253.64	1251.28	173344.84	1432.80	208314.45	2766.27
TOBACCO MANUFACTURED		0.00	314.54	0.00	309.34	0.00	433.89	0.00	499.09	0.00	694.78
SPICES	KG	366345.93	1883.17	400245.16	2115.98	482795.24	3157.90	612555.69	4204.50	673875.65	6338.44
SUGAR	TON	108.76	149.58	321.22	569.11	1643.41	3127.47	4684.57	5412.16	3332.08	4448.74
MOLLASES	TON	8.16	5.53	72.94	28.81	326.87	133.37	897.53	250.62	172.20	82.70
CASHEW NUT SHELL LIQUID	KG	5330.47	11.94	5941.61	8.67	8092.16	15.34	14781.21	25.17	10824.82	29.69
CASHEW	TON	118.12	2477.18	125.13	2584.70	122.80	2491.18	111.27	2209.60	126.15	2900.97
SESAME SEEDS	KG	167920.44	708.95	199807.99	746.60	233344.81	939.58	317014.88	1642.29	196980.29	1494.26
GROUNDNUT	TON	193.80	547.02	190.07	513.69	251.43	798.46	269.59	1054.08	297.89	1239.01
SPIRIT & BEVERAGES		0.00	139.31	0.00	253.16	0.00	271.67	0.00	345.70	0.00	554.48
GUERGAM MEAL	TON	133.90	689.48	186.73	1049.23	189.34	1125.79	211.18	1125.75	258.57	1338.99
OIL MEALS	TON	3623.23	3177.65	5976.01	4875.01	6437.44	5504.32	6908.50	8140.55	6742.94	10269.24
CASTOR OIL	KG	271807.48	1077.98	254717.98	939.74	294873.30	1090.11	282181.72	1275.72	357261.36	2128.72
SHELLAC	KG	8545.50	164.87	9297.92	159.99	7343.46	147.20	7901.70	123.97	6027.21	103.89
NIGER SEEDS	KG	26138.25	64.74	28424.67	60.25	30017.19	66.87	21682.86	90.03	13724.04	64.23
FRUITS / VEGETABLE SEEDS	KG	6725.10	65.99	7522.14	92.96	8104.09	121.59	10082.13	141.96	8535.53	119.99
FRESH FRUITS		0.00	862.05	0.00	1120.69	0.00	1413.98	0.00	1446.59	0.00	1945.24
FRESH VEGETABLES		0.00	862.87	0.00	919.81	0.00	1546.53	0.00	1477.89	0.00	2454.15
PROCESSED VEGETABLES		0.00	362.55	0.00	494.48	0.00	650.23	0.00	602.18	0.00	711.22
PROCESSED FRUITS & JUICES		0.00	369.37	0.00	599.91	0.00	711.40	0.00	773.40	0.00	1099.15
MISC PROCESSED ITEMS		0.00	907.96	0.00	989.53	0.00	1125.05	0.00	1362.39	0.00	2077.44
MEAT & PREPARATIONS		0.00	1905.27	0.00	2750.17	0.00	3314.03	0.00	3749.47	0.00	5371.42
MARINE PRODUCTS	KG	484047.17	6469.21	554196.97	7035.91	611551.15	8001.04	490059.95	6926.67	464903.03	7066.69
COTTON RAW INCLD. WASTE	TON	86.59	422.58	614.81	2904.35	1162.25	6107.81	1557.58	8865.39	457.56	2865.86
POULTRY PRODUCTS		0.00	281.91	0.00	313.37	0.00	313.82	0.00	429.53	0.00	413.53
TOTAL			38078.00		45220.05		57392.04		74095.25		80649.27

Source: DGCIS

Export of Agriculture Products from India (2009-10 to 2014-15)													
													Qty. in thousand units; Value in Rs. crore
DESCRIPTION	UNIT	2009-10		2010-11		2011-12		2012-13		2013-14		2014-15	
		Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
TEA	KGS	207839.07	2943.53	238146.24	3354.34	271983.56	4078.53	268799.83	4718.79	249907.55	4873.34	234388.70	4171.25
COFFEE	KGS	157138.32	2032.06	230995.68	3009.91	276520.99	4534.62	254017.79	4711.07	253902.13	4799.10	242975.06	4973.25
RICE -BASMOTI	TON	2016.87	10889.60	2330.25	11354.63	3169.45	15449.60	3459.83	19409.39	3754.10	29291.82	3698.93	27586.71
RICE(OTHER THAN BASMOTI)	TON	139.55	365.30	100.68	231.29	3991.77	8659.13	6687.85	14448.81	7136.19	17795.21	8302.21	20441.55
WHEAT	TON	0.03	0.05	0.40	0.70	749.63	1023.20	6514.82	10529.00	5572.03	9277.65	2924.05	4991.81
OTHER CEREALS	TON	2881.22	2973.19	3220.09	3648.49	4072.57	5492.92	5441.31	8180.61	4926.05	7178.14	3515.35	5262.16
PULSES	TON	100.13	408.32	209.02	870.04	173.50	1067.93	202.67	1284.99	345.66	1749.30	222.14	1218.31
TOBACCO UNMANUFACTURED	KGS	230804.37	3621.44	215879.82	3151.58	197165.22	2899.46	230414.16	3815.76	237106.04	4782.74	219572.23	4162.71
TOBACCO MANUFACTURED		0.00	722.96	0.00	833.61	0.00	1106.96	0.00	1214.48	0.00	1351.72	0.00	1705.88
SPICES	KGS	601402.12	5948.73	688394.39	7886.51	858200.11	13102.50	932591.86	15176.75	895914.70	15146.36	939008.20	14847.75
CASHEW	TON	107.47	2801.58	92.38	2819.39	107.81	4390.16	104.09	4067.21	120.74	5095.49	134.57	5565.85
CASHEW NUT SHELL LIQUID	KGS	11226.86	27.62	11918.03	33.77	13185.84	59.46	9191.51	29.84	9480.28	38.61	10937.59	55.81
SESAME SEEDS	KGS	215693.18	1494.10	360132.29	2307.52	388225.49	2641.66	299482.29	2880.85	257441.09	3583.46	375656.06	4717.77
NIGER SEEDS	KGS	6004.09	24.23	12863.06	44.51	28225.08	117.27	17904.56	90.13	20841.06	113.61	18155.89	108.96
GROUNDNUT	TON	340.26	1425.93	433.76	2178.41	832.62	5246.45	535.64	4065.36	509.75	3187.66	788.31	4675.37
OTHER OIL SEEDS	TON	49.79	139.36	42.82	113.40	61.81	201.43	87.59	414.61	194.46	945.53	247.54	1135.36
VEGETABLE OILS	TON	14.75	182.90	13.71	114.62	31.97	276.79	36.31	470.49	22.96	323.85	42.05	580.13
OIL MEALS	TON	4671.14	7831.79	6945.17	11069.58	7405.19	11796.46	6578.17	16519.53	9830.21	17070.13	3904.59	8129.18
GUERGAM MEAL	TON	217.41	1133.31	421.43	2938.70	702.73	16523.87	406.32	21287.00	601.97	11735.41	665.11	9478.26
CASTOR OIL	KGS	397990.27	2179.28	424458.12	2982.92	492628.33	4571.67	565994.07	4309.82	544795.66	4364.33	566463.64	4710.42
SHELLAC	KGS	4044.41	71.30	4333.86	140.07	4337.76	256.79	3603.66	401.74	7743.78	513.96	5242.54	267.47
SUGAR	TON	44.74	110.21	1733.87	5472.79	2749.43	8766.78	2793.78	8576.32	2535.31	7178.50	1955.19	5328.83
MOLLASES	TON	31.10	19.77	371.93	214.09	384.13	204.33	342.15	223.03	211.65	147.29	247.61	193.01
FRUITS / VEGETABLE SEEDS	KGS	8434.00	145.08	11622.33	184.92	15205.81	287.76	17168.00	347.72	19338.58	416.58	12499.31	427.04
FRESH FRUITS	TON	475.76	1524.21	446.76	1355.19	487.95	1937.22	534.50	2686.55	525.18	3645.62	539.23	3160.08
FRESH VEGETABLES	TON	2032.40	3014.32	1660.25	2620.48	2040.45	3023.31	2343.88	3407.19	2288.30	5384.47	2081.80	4666.45
PROCESSED VEGETABLES	KGS	0.00	743.12	0.00	747.92	175114.17	1043.72	159827.79	1102.56	132366.77	1288.86	186036.18	1721.89
PROCESSED FRUITS AND JUICES	KGS	0.00	1904.18	0.00	1859.96	536361.08	2277.04	536811.78	2577.32	604650.08	3332.05	588375.09	3626.86
CEREAL PREPARATIONS	TON	172.20	1030.09	213.58	1264.15	299.62	1888.62	292.69	2240.76	319.55	2856.26	313.67	3036.64
COCOA PRODUCTS	KGS	5863.88	96.99	9077.54	126.97	16678.58	175.98	19083.35	293.92	16229.24	573.22	33365.20	848.66
MILLED PRODUCTS	KGS	72740.53	153.63	99101.17	197.06	171123.76	358.92	273546.27	603.61	419263.94	1008.01	420854.41	1030.61
MISC PROCESSED ITEMS		0.00	838.19	0.00	1065.48	0.00	1434.17	0.00	1853.98	0.00	2531.48	0.00	2772.45
ANIMAL CASINGS	KGS	1716.90	32.82	1804.72	33.24	1011.22	33.98	645.84	21.46	266.72	28.46	260.15	19.33
BUFFALO MEAT	TON	490.40	5481.43	726.66	8613.31	984.96	13741.11	1076.10	17408.99	1365.64	26457.82	1503.51	29282.58
SHEEP/GOAT MEAT	TON	53.07	745.94	12.30	258.83	10.94	252.83	15.29	426.47	22.61	694.12	23.61	828.11
OTHER MEAT	TON	1.17	10.75	1.03	9.51	0.32	3.67	0.19	2.33	0.27	3.40	0.26	2.67
PROCESSED MEAT	TON	0.67	8.79	0.92	13.96	0.58	9.50	0.80	9.37	0.51	7.68	0.41	14.20
DAIRY PRODUCTS	KGS	0.00	796.99	0.00	1216.76	52497.25	647.79	127255.69	2324.68	199090.16	4407.78	104170.98	2169.03
POULTRY PRODUCTS		0.00	372.53	0.00	314.33	0.00	458.05	0.00	494.93	0.00	566.80	0.00	651.19

FLORICLTR PRODUCTS	KGS	0.00	294.46	0.00	296.04	30924.20	365.32	27121.86	423.45	22179.80	455.90	22949.27	460.80
NATURAL RUBBER	TON	25.60	245.37	29.70	556.16	26.53	443.97	31.59	590.39	10.03	167.85	3.06	43.31
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	LTR	0.00	584.87	0.00	819.86	216393.01	1469.07	270490.38	1932.45	316249.24	2429.67	269997.23	2264.89
MARINE PRODUCTS	KGS	698448.12	9899.98	785069.04	11917.11	902411.68	16584.71	965099.42	18841.20	1192882.37	30627.28	1231807.69	33688.38
COTTON RAW INCLD. WASTE	TON	0.00	9537.08	0.00	13162.42	2006.68	21624.24	2056.70	20276.51	1947.69	22337.84	1142.53	11642.64
TOTAL			84807.40		111404.54		180528.94		224691.43		259764.35		236665.61

Source: DGCI&S

Annexure-I contd...

Export of Agriculture Products from India (2015-16 to 2018-19)

		Qty. in thousand units; Value in Rs. crore							
DESCRIPTION	UNIT	2015-16		2016-17		2017-18		2018-19	
		Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
TEA	KGS	245701.97	4719.00	243429.62	4905.64	272894.98	5396.65	270306.40	5828.34
COFFEE	KGS	255744.05	5125.45	288613.37	5646.43	317828.97	6245.36	282839.90	5721.98
RICE -BASMOTI	TON	4045.83	22718.60	3985.21	21512.91	4056.85	26870.67	4414.61	32804.30
RICE(OTHER THAN BASMOTI)	TON	6464.59	15483.39	6770.83	16929.88	8818.53	23437.23	7648.00	21171.17
WHEAT	TON	666.68	1061.77	265.61	447.85	322.79	624.37	226.63	424.47
OTHER CEREALS	TON	967.93	1702.50	734.77	1425.77	864.24	1604.28	1257.24	2426.07
PULSES	TON	255.72	1655.90	136.72	1277.70	179.60	1469.63	287.13	1801.51
TOBACCO UNMANUFACTURED	KGS	215316.96	4373.45	204447.42	4249.85	185363.88	3828.13	189554.21	3984.53
TOBACCO MANUFACTURED		0.00	2078.91	0.00	2174.12	0.00	2193.58	0.00	2874.07
SPICES	KGS	831681.12	16630.14	1014453.31	19111.25	1096322.85	20084.91	1133889.44	23217.77
CASHEW	TON	103.13	5027.99	91.79	5278.61	90.06	5945.28	78.22	4579.17
CASHEW NUT SHELL LIQUID	KGS	11677.26	57.59	11404.76	43.99	8325.16	32.63	5300.66	26.91
SESAME SEEDS	KGS	328455.73	3012.31	307328.55	2695.84	336850.37	2990.93	312003.34	3761.62
NIGER SEEDS	KGS	14121.56	123.27	14070.46	117.22	9215.04	69.86	13370.58	95.50
GROUNDNUT	TON	542.73	4075.63	725.71	5444.33	504.04	3386.30	489.19	3297.32
OTHER OIL SEEDS	TON	204.62	964.47	193.27	846.58	295.10	1126.32	213.84	926.75
VEGETABLE OILS	TON	30.60	522.94	60.47	779.97	37.06	566.04	49.96	744.58
OIL MEALS	TON	2056.36	3599.56	2632.26	5410.10	3570.78	7043.15	4493.29	10557.48
GUERGAM MEAL	TON	325.25	3233.87	419.95	3106.62	494.13	4169.56	513.22	4707.05
CASTOR OIL	KGS	586778.44	4616.10	599195.56	4521.51	697092.50	6730.00	619376.57	6170.12
SHELLAC	KGS	6393.50	203.31	6065.00	225.53	6530.85	285.18	6996.04	304.79
SUGAR	TON	3844.45	9824.52	2544.01	8659.54	1757.93	5225.60	3989.66	9523.14
MOLLASES	TON	818.57	656.84	390.67	314.94	123.97	97.45	845.96	586.80
FRUITS / VEGETABLE SEEDS	KGS	13104.11	529.19	11288.62	522.75	14465.77	670.91	17532.40	866.31
FRESH FRUITS	TON	654.66	4191.24	817.06	4974.21	714.00	4913.28	823.09	5538.15
FRESH VEGETABLES	TON	2104.36	5237.10	3404.07	5790.71	2448.02	5297.72	3192.49	5679.10
PROCESSED VEGETABLES	KGS	174427.54	1697.22	192855.77	1765.75	212203.36	1823.36	228967.00	2055.41
PROCESSED FRUITS AND JUICES	KGS	532293.28	3767.08	533152.10	3921.08	573281.42	4169.13	594487.33	4481.25
CEREAL PREPARATIONS	TON	316.54	3358.12	339.95	3565.55	353.35	3561.69	347.81	3859.46
COCOA PRODUCTS	KGS	32652.56	1267.61	25649.50	1086.77	29579.53	1144.35	27607.09	1350.86
MILLED PRODUCTS	KGS	431464.50	1102.73	255803.65	813.54	270396.97	876.62	307419.30	1063.03
MISC PROCESSED ITEMS		0.00	2907.85	0.00	3053.79	0.00	3548.95	0.00	4613.38
ANIMAL CASINGS	KGS	206.36	17.02	173.24	13.84	12424.66	327.44	14882.83	480.66
BUFFALO MEAT	TON	1314.22	26684.22	1323.58	26161.38	1350.25	26035.19	1233.38	25091.43
SHEEP/GOAT MEAT	TON	21.95	837.76	22.01	869.84	22.80	843.61	21.67	867.53
OTHER MEAT	TON	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.21	0.45	7.00	0.85	13.73
PROCESSED MEAT	TON	0.28	6.16	0.14	4.58	0.27	9.89	0.41	13.92
DAIRY PRODUCTS	KGS	77527.13	1677.46	90352.31	1701.18	102262.55	1954.63	180688.06	3375.73
POULTRY PRODUCTS		0.00	769.14	0.00	530.44	0.00	552.09	0.00	687.22

FLORICLTR PRODUCTS	KGS	22691.95	483.41	22020.33	546.71	20703.51	507.32	19694.69	571.43
NATURAL RUBBER	TON	6.04	386.85	24.46	252.92	7.70	89.69	6.66	77.28
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	LTR	242095.45	2030.92	232179.33	2004.79	241013.37	2105.78	231601.93	2103.97
MARINE PRODUCTS	KGS	978036.22	31219.48	1185272.87	39593.78	1432456.67	47646.41	1672386.11	47664.94
COTTON RAW INCLD. WASTE	TON	1347.07	12821.13	996.09	10907.32	1101.47	12200.05	1143.07	14627.55
TOTAL			212459.20		223207.31		247708.20		270617.79

Source: DGCIS

Annexure-II

Import of Agriculture Products into India (2004-05 to 2008-09)*											
Qty. in thousand units; Value in Rs. crore											
DESCRIPTION	UNIT	2004-05		2005-06		2006-07		2007-08		2008-09	
		Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
WHEAT	TON	0.22	0.11	0.00	0.00	6079.56	5850.49	1793.21	2657.51	0.02	0.01
RICE	TON	0.00	0.00	0.26	0.34	0.16	0.41	0.15	0.42	0.08	0.54
OTHER CEREALS	TON	6.36	6.33	27.88	30.09	7.96	11.73	10.42	19.34	20.60	45.46
CEREAL PREPARATION	TON	44.53	110.23	42.37	129.23	38.21	132.92	43.94	161.83	29.76	170.17
PULSES	TON	1323.30	1757.04	1695.96	2476.25	2270.97	3891.91	2835.06	5374.94	2474.11	6246.40
TEA	KG	31199.77	143.86	18747.13	108.14	23293.45	127.06	19725.72	130.95	25159.25	197.00
MILK AND CREAM	TON	2.22	12.87	1.63	14.20	3.09	28.90	2.07	29.66	3.24	38.21
CASHEW NUTS	TON	470.80	1763.81	543.94	2089.46	586.49	1820.75	591.88	1714.75	614.46	2672.43
FRUITS & NUTS EXCL CASHEW NUTS		0.00	1079.95	0.00	1390.32	0.00	1913.11	0.00	1858.64	0.00	2372.89
SPICES	KG	104503.33	576.47	108926.57	687.81	118510.73	738.90	140590.38	941.36	122849.53	1076.07
SUGAR	TON	932.43	975.70	558.77	651.59	1.05	3.49	0.49	2.24	386.10	583.16
OIL SEEDS		0.00	25.95	0.00	47.03	0.00	104.47	0.00	149.46	0.00	129.58
VEGETABLE OILS FIXED (EDIBLE)	TON	4692.73	10940.63	4288.11	8960.99	4269.37	9539.90	4903.39	10301.09	6719.35	15837.46
NATURAL RUBBER	TON	70.42	415.64	45.29	274.51	89.80	780.51	86.39	788.89	77.76	937.20
COTTON RAW:COMB./UNCOMB./WASTE	TON	188.39	1115.54	98.76	703.66	81.48	663.07	136.50	912.14	211.69	1690.22
TOTAL			18924.13		17563.62		25607.60		25043.21		31996.80

Source: DGCI&S

* Prior to 2009-10, DGCI&S maintained data for imports only under 68 commodity groups, including the above groups for agricultural products. From 2009-10 onwards, data for imports is available for 168 commodity groups including 41 commodity groups for agricultural products.

Import of Agriculture Products from India (2009-10 to 2014-15)													
													Qty. in thousand units; Value in Rs. crore
DESCRIPTION	UNIT	2009-10		2010-11		2011-12		2012-13		2013-14		2014-15	
		Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
TEA	KGS	34459.38	276.52	20824.06	202.00	22429.49	218.91	22301.32	274.52	22739.91	291.68	28390.47	388.66
COFFEE	KGS	40884.15	297.34	41634.07	295.00	46055.69	469.52	71201.37	795.72	59940.86	729.02	74884.58	930.47
RICE -BASMOTI	TON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.46	2.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
RICE(OTHER THAN BASMOTI)	TON	0.07	0.37	0.19	0.92	0.60	3.00	0.72	3.96	1.44	8.29	1.96	10.83
WHEAT	TON	164.38	231.90	185.28	255.84	0.02	0.08	2.94	6.03	11.27	26.92	29.49	61.34
OTHER CEREALS	TON	33.69	76.33	30.68	59.53	15.36	30.04	45.58	111.01	22.32	98.03	23.40	61.76
PULSES	TON	3749.99	10629.16	2777.83	7512.49	3495.84	9448.35	4013.24	13344.63	3643.71	12792.62	4584.85	17062.94
TOBACCO UNMANUFACTURED	KGS	1074.71	37.76	1320.74	44.61	2015.63	68.57	2166.77	91.94	1549.35	79.52	1930.42	98.17
TOBACCO MANUFACTURED		0.00	78.73	0.00	80.36	0.00	113.01	0.00	155.01	0.00	168.87	0.00	200.28
SPICES	KGS	161782.16	1476.04	124494.40	1595.91	146767.74	2284.85	175559.21	2715.76	155577.43	3451.69	163094.90	4393.25
CASHEW	TON	755.96	3047.50	529.73	2649.07	811.90	5381.43	898.52	5433.91	776.33	4667.80	933.19	6599.74
CASHEW NUT SHELL LIQUID	KGS	0.00	0.00	43.00	0.07	195.00	0.32	141.43	0.33	379.07	2.08	1720.40	10.03
SESAME SEEDS	KGS	9228.56	53.26	8727.92	37.66	609.28	3.93	38050.45	296.03	72928.10	808.64	34767.79	379.99
NIGER SEEDS	KGS	3504.77	13.33	233.00	0.79	117.23	0.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	703.00	3.73
GROUNDNUT	TON	0.39	1.70	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.47	0.04	0.29	0.11	0.36	0.13	0.49
OTHER OIL SEEDS	TON	56.94	118.18	44.95	74.76	41.22	88.77	44.26	109.74	54.70	166.79	51.56	163.29
EDIBLE VEGETABLE OILS	TON	6734.45	22316.68	6039.02	25919.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
VEGETABLE OILS	TON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8442.28	46334.15	11017.66	61270.66	10467.30	56836.35	12731.60	64889.60
OIL MEALS	TON	127.73	104.69	79.22	75.03	86.13	98.72	148.30	210.38	126.94	199.87	165.10	272.65
GUERGAM MEAL	TON	0.07	2.41	0.09	2.66	0.30	9.90	0.57	33.61	0.38	21.85	0.13	5.72
CASTOR OIL	KGS	56.85	0.44	12.61	0.91	55.34	1.29	142.80	2.23	68.95	2.04	52.36	1.81
SHELLAC	KGS	3552.31	34.10	3293.55	50.55	541.88	22.15	2782.51	172.61	680.72	45.80	1770.84	59.54
SUGAR	TON	2551.42	5965.80	1034.58	2789.54	99.71	313.83	1122.25	3094.38	880.96	2286.86	1538.64	3668.21
MOLLASES	TON	45.54	32.29	7.29	6.15	12.40	4.35	14.68	7.50	15.07	8.93	60.28	30.14
FRUITS / VEGETABLE SEEDS	KGS	12668.02	284.42	11139.67	291.22	13180.92	380.15	16045.49	471.10	8294.15	449.48	14012.28	611.53
FRESH FRUITS	TON	562.19	2843.47	630.23	3586.51	723.24	4610.67	802.14	6180.42	769.20	7715.87	900.98	9566.81
FRESH VEGETABLES	TON	5.40	8.14	16.61	40.60	5.04	7.31	7.03	11.24	25.98	41.67	8.24	11.14
PROCESSED VEGETABLES	KGS	0.00	77.90	0.00	117.48	20500.72	120.19	0.00	149.01	20289.09	173.94	10960.19	104.45
PROCESSED FRUITS AND JUICES	KGS	0.00	191.12	0.00	251.54	30659.39	315.03	0.00	432.06	31973.06	410.83	33552.68	499.54
CEREAL PREPARATIONS	TON	39.11	188.92	37.73	243.43	45.82	316.39	50.42	359.98	53.47	419.34	72.72	583.93
COCOA PRODUCTS	KGS	25227.73	376.08	33802.27	584.21	50759.95	934.32	53331.11	1049.25	51627.35	1071.55	65387.03	1551.63
MILLED PRODUCTS	KGS	2489.63	9.76	3740.38	10.96	2882.81	11.88	4522.60	23.75	3977.44	22.01	3465.37	17.72
MISC PROCESSED ITEMS		0.00	552.34	0.00	664.01	0.00	915.19	0.00	1268.33	0.00	1474.47	0.00	1785.23
ANIMAL CASINGS	KGS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.22	0.00	0.00	0.00
SHEEP/GOAT MEAT	TON	0.04	1.22	0.03	0.80	0.01	0.21	0.02	1.52	0.06	5.13	0.09	8.73
OTHER MEAT	TON	0.33	6.67	0.35	7.01	0.54	12.48	0.43	15.71	0.36	15.80	0.47	19.50
PROCESSED MEAT	TON	1.41	9.79	0.78	7.56	0.96	9.74	0.57	9.02	0.39	7.64	0.17	5.17
DAIRY PRODUCTS	KGS	0.00	333.64	0.00	847.83	71903.49	1219.41	0.00	184.25	10487.31	232.68	43837.63	375.01
POULTRY PRODUCTS		0.00	26.72	0.00	14.46	0.00	19.72	0.00	18.29	0.00	23.39	0.00	38.22
FLORICLTR PRODUCTS	KGS	0.00	45.88	0.00	45.48	3064.32	68.64	0.00	85.67	4308.80	112.19	4820.19	113.37
NATURAL RUBBER	TON	177.13	1602.15	190.73	2928.33	214.42	4248.18	262.74	4590.14	360.27	5537.29	442.13	4990.09

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	LTR	0.00	1244.26	0.00	1029.13	113182.71	1309.77	0.00	1416.77	114452.98	2076.18	177683.00	2508.66
MARINE PRODUCTS	KGS	27346.02	303.09	28346.87	429.04	34223.12	569.53	28103.79	452.70	31219.16	411.01	27721.32	453.90
COTTON RAW INCLD. WASTE	TON	0.00	1241.37	0.00	622.24	77.42	1059.19	232.56	2466.74	180.97	2375.78	289.39	3101.92
TOTAL			54141.45		53375.25		81026.50		107316.20		105270.28		125639.16

Source: DGCI&S

Annexure-II contd...

Import of Agriculture Products into India (2015-16 to 2019-20)

Import of Agriculture Products into India (2015-16 to 2019-20)									
Qty. in thousand units; Value in Rs. crore									
DESCRIPTION	UNIT	2015-16		2016-17		2017-18		2018-19	
		Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
TEA	KGS	23722.24	377.47	24893.01	338.35	24938.77	356.99	28851.38	417.96
COFFEE	KGS	65612.80	801.83	78041.34	926.81	77217.05	996.50	82772.39	958.59
RICE(OTHER THAN BASMOTI)	TON	1.02	5.91	1.14	7.25	2.12	12.18	6.87	32.14
WHEAT	TON	517.67	872.59	5749.43	8509.05	1649.73	2357.84	2.75	5.44
OTHER CEREALS	TON	206.14	344.31	311.37	493.18	265.13	433.90	244.32	471.28
PULSES	TON	5797.71	25619.06	6609.49	28523.18	5607.53	18748.57	2527.88	8035.30
TOBACCO UNMANUFACTURED	KGS	2883.25	137.30	1969.03	77.21	1542.20	69.47	2595.83	102.89
TOBACCO MANUFACTURED		0.00	193.92	0.00	228.54	0.00	185.92	0.00	257.52
SPICES	KGS	197058.87	5399.95	242293.68	5760.25	222325.65	6385.26	240555.22	7932.70
CASHEW	TON	961.67	8701.28	774.51	9027.09	654.02	9134.33	839.64	11162.32
CASHEW NUT SHELL LIQUID	KGS	1858.35	5.60	1687.77	3.67	2092.36	5.66	6611.49	21.05
SESAME SEEDS	KGS	23597.10	179.66	69028.83	442.15	26269.59	176.77	87538.04	875.17
NIGER SEEDS	KGS	5780.00	44.14	10656.00	82.82	5332.80	29.00	8664.88	40.62
GROUNDNUT	TON	0.11	0.31	0.33	1.39	1.72	13.04	1.09	8.14
OTHER OIL SEEDS	TON	62.51	218.62	116.64	392.36	127.35	364.59	220.48	745.35
VEGETABLE OILS	TON	15643.74	68676.62	14007.39	73038.98	15361.02	74995.91	15019.30	69023.79
OIL MEALS	TON	256.55	429.91	550.43	974.59	485.96	746.67	504.00	869.56
GUERGAM MEAL	TON	0.63	13.93	0.18	2.41	0.43	3.30	0.72	5.90
CASTOR OIL	KGS	31.76	1.10	107.21	1.50	38.37	2.54	223.82	5.32
SHELLAC	KGS	705.39	19.48	459.61	13.43	466.92	18.38	640.96	19.35
SUGAR	TON	1943.13	4037.86	2146.15	6868.61	2402.98	6035.84	1490.61	3175.39
MOLLASES	TON	17.27	7.50	13.84	9.04	72.85	69.29	4.47	1.38
FRUITS / VEGETABLE SEEDS	KGS	14328.07	703.03	14073.87	653.33	16051.46	768.26	19725.77	835.81
FRESH FRUITS	TON	857.90	11071.57	1057.51	11290.62	994.70	12524.55	1124.18	13931.65
FRESH VEGETABLES	TON	140.73	394.45	8.55	11.12	15.66	25.64	14.75	24.22
PROCESSED VEGETABLES	KGS	15379.02	120.33	13323.28	115.26	15335.42	134.83	18097.79	161.83
PROCESSED FRUITS AND JUICES	KGS	40494.96	526.49	42993.07	548.10	53585.04	803.81	59123.89	909.34
CEREAL PREPARATIONS	TON	61.70	575.42	66.46	579.03	71.10	659.68	90.58	971.36
COCOA PRODUCTS	KGS	56424.69	1398.91	63611.90	1542.28	71257.55	1473.10	87595.13	1845.89
MILLED PRODUCTS	KGS	4393.66	21.40	3555.95	16.22	3275.70	13.02	4184.83	15.60
MISC PROCESSED ITEMS		0.00	1811.12	0.00	2115.82	0.00	2249.73	0.00	2560.20
SHEEP/GOAT MEAT	TON	0.05	4.80	0.13	8.50	0.22	13.36	0.12	10.83
OTHER MEAT	TON	0.50	17.18	0.59	19.03	0.78	27.80	0.88	30.65
PROCESSED MEAT	TON	0.07	2.75	0.13	4.47	0.10	3.22	0.12	4.14
DAIRY PRODUCTS	KGS	18303.41	371.58	16906.34	254.84	23393.63	312.59	13643.20	254.12

POULTRY PRODUCTS		0.00	26.42	0.00	29.46	0.00	26.87	0.00	41.80
FLORICLTR PRODUCTS	KGS	4768.81	114.40	5568.39	133.81	6241.10	136.46	6374.48	174.09
NATURAL RUBBER	TON	458.38	4671.64	426.19	4374.63	469.76	5343.74	582.35	6127.66
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	LTR	303459.28	2935.85	452717.72	3590.33	563769.85	3876.14	587958.73	4678.72
MARINE PRODUCTS	KGS	50348.35	639.77	52015.03	633.39	44713.34	793.30	56933.36	1088.13
COTTON RAW INCLD. WASTE	TON	233.14	2566.21	499.62	6338.92	469.13	6306.77	299.27	4383.40
TOTAL			144061.67		167981.01		156634.82		142216.63

Source: DGCIS

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 481(H)
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

SETTING UP NEW TRADE FAIR COMPLEXES

481(H). SHRI RAJESH VERMA:

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

- (a) whether the Government is considering to set up new trade fair complexes in various States of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the time by which such complexes are likely to be started by the Government along with the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the funds likely to be spent by the Government thereon?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)
THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (d): The Department provides financial assistance for setting up export infrastructure including International Trade Promotion Centres, under the 'Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES)', as and when proposals are received from the eligible agencies.

The Department has approved financial assistance for following project proposals, similar to Trade Fair Complexes, under the 'Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES)' submitted by various State Government Agencies: -

S. No.	Name of Project	Implementing agency	Total Project Cost/ Time schedule indicated by implementation agency
1.	Establishment of Main Exhibition Building (Phase II) at Trade cum Permanent Exhibition Centre at Imphal, Manipur	Manipur Industrial Development Corporation (MANIDCO), Government of Manipur	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Total Project Cost – Rs. 15.86 cr.• 80% complete.

2.	Expansion of Chennai Trade Centre, Tamil Nadu	Tamil Nadu Trade Promotion Organisation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total Project Cost – Rs. 288.16 cr. • Ongoing
3.	Establishment of Trade Promotion Centre at Minto Hall, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh	M.P. State Tourism Development Corporation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total Project Cost – Rs. 49.39 cr. • Completed.
4.	World Trade Centre, Ranchi	JIDCO, Govt. of Jharkhand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total Project Cost – Rs. 44.60 cr. • Ongoing
5.	Establishment of Export Trade Facilitation Centre, Chennai	SIPCOT, Government of Tamil Nadu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total Project Cost – Rs. 28.96 cr. • Approved recently.

The development of Exhibition-cum-Convention Centre (ECC), Dwarka, New Delhi has been approved by Union Cabinet in its meeting held on 10th November, 2017 at an estimated cost of Rs. 25,703 crore with timeline of completion by year 2025 in a phased manner. The Government of India has approved budgetary support of Rs. 2037.39 crore for the Phase-I of the project.

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 485(H)
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

BAN ON IMPORT OF NON-ESSENTIAL ITEMS

485(H). SHRI NIHAL CHAND:
SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:

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

- (a) the number of items being imported in the country;
- (b) whether the Government is planning to put a ban on the import of certain non-essential items;
- (c) if so, the country-wise details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (d) the details of the items likely to be banned; and
- (e) the time by which such ban is likely to be implemented?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)
THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a). At present, out of around 11,500 tariff lines at 8 digit level import has taken place on 9,631 tariff lines at 8 digit level.

(b),(c),(d) &(e). At present, there is no proposal for banning any items. However, milk and milk products including chocolate and chocolate products and candies/ confectionery/ food preparations with milk or milk solids as ingredient are 'Prohibited' for imports from China since 2008 on the grounds of protecting human health and life. Import of Arms and related material from Iraq is 'Prohibited'. There is a country specific ban on specified imports from Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Iran and Somalia based on UN sanctions.

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 487
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

ENCOURAGING COFFEE DEVELOPMENT

487. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

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

- (a) whether the Government is implementing any scheme to encourage coffee development in traditional and non-traditional areas in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of steps taken by the Coffee Board to address the production and farming issues being faced by coffee growers;
- (c) the details of measures being taken by the Government to boost the production and export of coffee along with the financial and technical assistance provided to coffee growers during each of the last three years;
- (d) whether the Coffee Board has predicted a 30 per cent decline in coffee production for the 2018 - 19 season due to heavy rains in the Western Ghats States and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government expects dip in coffee exports with lower output in 2018-19 and if so, the details thereof along with quantum of coffee exported during the last three years?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)
THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a) : Yes, Sir. The Government through Coffee Board is implementing Integrated Coffee Development Project which inter-alia includes the following activities :
- (i) In traditional coffee growing areas financial support is provided for replantation, water augmentation and eco-certification of coffee. Support is also provided for marketing of coffee on community basis by Small Growers' Collectives / Self Help Groups (SHGs) / Cooperatives.
 - (ii) In Non-traditional areas of Andhra Pradesh and Odisha support is provided for coffee expansion (new coffee planting) and consolidation, quality up-gradation (purchase of baby pulpers and construction of cement drying yards) and Eco-Certification / Organic Certification. Support is also provided for marketing of coffee on community basis by Self

Help Groups (SHGs) / Tribal Growers collectives

Support is also provided for installing Roasting, Grinding and Packing Machinery.

- (b) : Various interventions such as research & development, technology transfer, capacity building, support for value addition etc. are undertaken for overall improvement of production, productivity and quality of coffee. Coffee Board has launched Coffee Connect – Field Force Mobile App to provide advisories on production related aspects to the coffee growers. The Board has also launched a Web-portal namely, KSHEMAM (Kaapi Soil Health Monitoring and Management) which enable the growers to access the soil fertility status of their areas/ plantations and download the soil health cards.
- (c) : Government has taken measures to boost the production and export of coffee by the way of providing financial and technical assistance to the growers and the industry for replanting, water augmentation, expansion & consolidation of holdings in non-tradition and North Eastern Region, value addition and market promotion. Details of financial and technical assistance provided by the coffee Board during the last three years are given in Annexure I and Annexure-II respectively.
- (d) : As per the post-monsoon estimation (during December 2019) done by the Coffee Board, the estimated crop for the year 2018-19 is 3,19,500 tonnes which is about 16% less than the post-blossom estimation of 3,80,000 tonnes carried out during May 2018.
- (e) : Coffee exports in a particular year are generally contributed by the current year coffee production as well as the stock of previous year. Accordingly, the dip in production during 2018-19 may effect export during 2019-20. As per the export permits issued by the Coffee Board upto December 31, 2019, the coffee exports for the year 2019-20 (241.367 MT) have declined by 1.41% over the corresponding period of previous year i.e., 2018-19 (244.837 MT). The volume of India's coffee exports during last three years is as follows:

Year	Quantity (MT)
2016-17	3,44,870
2017-18	3,91,815
2018-19*	3,53,795

Source: Coffee Board

*Provisional based on export permits issued.

Note: The total coffee exports include export of Indian coffees as well as re-export of imported coffees after value addition;

Financial Assistance provided by the Coffee Board during the last three years

Activities	Physical and Financial (Rs.in lakhs)					
	2017-18		2018-19		2019-20 (Till 31.12.2019)	
	P	F	P	F	P	F
Traditional area :						
Replantation/ Expansion (in ha.)	2936	4289.72	1829	2724.43	185.25	104.42
Water Augmentation (Nos.)	4852		3036		606	386.19
Quality Up-gradation (Pulpers/ Drying Yards) (Nos.)	2591		1115		-	-
Pollution Abatement (Nos.)	14		15		-	-
Eco-Certification (Nos.)	2		-		-	-
Support for Mechanisation (Nos.)	3787		771		-	-
Labour welfare measures	3017		4329		944	30.32
Interest Subsidy (Nos.)	1051		284		1217	-
Export incentives :						
a) Value added coffee (MT)	3547	206.96	3484	215.48	240.85	7.23
b) Green coffee (MT)	5028		5548		4885	51.27
Value Addition	-	69.90	22	131.95	-	-
Non-traditional area						
Expansion (in ha.)	2.86	33.54	2386.72	560.00	3998.8	252.5
Quality Up-gradation (Pulpers/ Drying Yards) (Nos.)			1420		83	18.30

P-Physical; F-Financial

Source: Coffee Board

Annexure-II

Technical / advisory / entrepreneurship training provided by the Coffee Board during the last three years

		2017-18	2018-19	2019-20 (Till 31.12.2019)	Total
1	Seed coffee production (in MT.)	17.82	15.148	6.44	39.408
2	Supply of rooted clones (CxR)	44461	35116	29007	108584
3	Soil / leaf analysis & Agro chemical analysis	10022	9128	2179	21329
4	Broco/ pheromone traps	62800	38207	12352	113359
5	Quality Analysis of Coffee samples	772	421	291	1484
6	Calibration of Moisture metere	114	109	118	341
7	Estate Visits	27000	30243	14838	72081
8	Field Demonstrations	3124	3191	1895	8210
9	Advisory Letters	229	374	441	1044
10	Group Meetings/ Seminars/ Village Level Meetings	644	463	2833	3940
11	Media Campaigns (Print/ Electronic/ Social Media)	717	586	366	1669
12	Training Programmes	238	351	2760	3349
13	Vocational Training Programme for Workers/ Growers	43	38	14	95
14	Exposure visit to model estate / TEC / Res. Station	70	122	37	229
15	Entrepreneur training programme	53	0	20	73
16	Kaapi Shastra Training programme	111	55	96	262

Source: Coffee Board

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 498
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

INDIA'S TRADE DEFICIT

498. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

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

- whether trade deficit of India is widening gradually;
- if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years;
- whether the Government has maintained any data regarding the percentage of trade deficit with the Asian countries during the last three years, if so, the details thereof;
- whether the Government has taken any steps on the balance of trade during the last three years; and
- if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)
THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) and (b): India's merchandise trade deficit for last three years are as follows:

Years	Trade deficit (US\$ Billion)	% Change
2015-16	-118.72	--
2016-17	-108.50	-8.61
2017-18	-162.05	49.35
2018-19	-183.96	13.52

Source: DGCI&S.

The data in the above table shows that India's trade deficit decreased by 8.61 percent in 2016-17 over 2015-16 and thereafter increased by 49.35 percent in 2017-18 and 13.52 percent in 2018-19 as compared to the previous years.

(c) The details of merchandise trade deficits along with percentage change of Asian countries during last three years are given in **Annexure-I**.

(d) and (e): In order to boost India's exports and bring down trade deficit, Government has taken following steps:

- (i) A new Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2015-20 was launched on 1st April 2015. The policy, inter alia, rationalised the earlier export promotion schemes and introduced two new schemes, namely Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS) for improving export of goods and 'Services Exports from India Scheme (SEIS)' for increasing exports of services. Duty credit scrips issued under these schemes were made fully transferable.
- (ii) Based on Mid-term Review of the FTP 2015-20 undertaken on 5th December, 2017, incentives for labour intensive / MSME sectors were increased by 2%.
- (iii) A new Logistics Division was created in the Department of Commerce for integrated development of the logistics sector. India's rank in World Bank's Logistics Performance Index moved up from 54 in 2014 to 44 in 2018.
- (iv) Interest Equalization Scheme on pre and post shipment rupee export credit was introduced from 1.4.2015 providing interest equalisation at 3% for labour intensive / MSME sectors. The rate was increased to 5% for MSME sectors with effect from 2.11.2018 and merchant exporters were covered under the scheme with effect from 2.1.2019.
- (v) For improving ease of doing business, online issuance of Importer Exporter Codes (IEC), has been started. India's rank in World Bank 'Ease of Doing Business' ranking improved from 142 in 2014 to 63 in 2019 with the rank in 'trading across borders' moving up from 122 to 80.
- (vi) A new scheme called "Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES)" was launched with effect from 1st April 2017 to address the export infrastructure gaps in the country.
- (vii) A comprehensive "Agriculture Export Policy" was launched on 6th December, 2018 with an aim to double farmers' income by 2022 and provide an impetus to agricultural exports.
- (viii) A new scheme called "Transport and Marketing Assistance" (TMA) has been launched for mitigating disadvantage of higher cost of transportation for export of specified agriculture products.

Annexure-I

Statement referred to in reply of part (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred question no. 498 for answer on 5th February 2020.

Merchandise trade deficits along with percentage change of Asian countries during last three years

(Value in US\$ Million)

SR. No.	COUNTRIES IN ASIA	TRADE DEFICIT 2015-16	TRADE DEFICIT 2016-17	% Change 2016-17 over 2015-16	TRADE DEFICIT 2017-18	% Change 2017-18 over 2016-17	TRADE DEFICIT 2018-19	% Change 2018-19 over 2017-18
1	CHINA P RP	-39740	-51111	29	-63047	23	-53567	-15
2	SAUDI ARAB	-11213	-14862	33	-16659	12	-22917	38
3	IRAQ	-8067	-10596	31	-16154	52	-20584	27
4	KOREA RP	-7200	-8344	16	-11901	43	-12054	1
5	INDONESIA	-8120	-9940	22	-12475	26	-10574	-15
6	IRAN	-2944	-8127	176	-8459	4	-10015	18
7	QATAR	-6375	-6862	8	-6937	1	-9111	31
8	JAPAN	-3733	-5909	58	-6239	6	-7911	27
9	KUWAIT	-3105	-2964	-5	-5800	96	-6097	5
10	HONG KONG	4315	5843	35	4014	-31	-4985	-224
11	SINGAPORE	350	2478	609	2736	10	-4709	-272
12	MALAYSIA	-4107	-3709	-10	-3310	-11	-4382	32
13	THAILAND	-2040	-2282	12	-3481	53	-3000	-14
14	TAIWAN	-1497	-959	-36	-1770	84	-1970	11
15	VIETNAM SOC REP	2144	3466	62	2795	-19	-685	-125
16	JORDAN	-268	-306	14	-444	45	-537	21
17	BRUNEI	-461	-585	27	-372	-36	-535	44
18	OMAN	138	1438	939	-1825	-227	-513	-72
19	MACAO	-5	-6	30	6	-187	-5	-194
20	MONGOLIA	3	8	152	19	141	22	16
21	KOREA DP RP	16	-44	-373	32	-174	24	-26
22	LAO PD RP	-86	-182	112	-144	-21	38	-127
23	SYRIA	68	89	31	128	43	140	10
24	CAMBODIA	68	69	1	66	-5	153	134
25	BAHARAIN IS	275	181	-34	126	-31	203	61
26	MALDIVES	129	189	46	211	12	203	-4
27	LEBANON	160	180	12	219	21	225	3
28	AFGHANISTAN	191	213	11	276	29	280	1
29	BHUTAN	116	201	74	168	-17	286	70
30	U ARAB EMTS	7208	9666	34	6407	-34	341	-95
31	MYANMAR	-163	41	-125	327	704	684	109
32	YEMEN REPUBLC	260	441	70	410	-7	730	78
33	PHILIPPINES	542	988	82	928	-6	1163	25
34	PAKISTAN IR	1265	1367	8	1436	5	1572	9
35	ISRAEL	605	1126	86	1298	15	1786	38
36	SRI LANKA DSR	3429	3311	-3	3704	12	3222	-13
37	NEPAL	2244	5008	123	6175	23	7258	18
38	BANGLADESH PR	3844	6118	59	7929	30	8165	3
Total of Asian Countries		-94814	-92824	-2	-130037	40	-157546	21

Note: -ve connotes trade deficit and +ve connotes trade surplus

Source: DGCI&S.

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 503
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

VARIOUS COLLABORATIONS WITH THE RUBBER BOARD

503. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

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

- (a) the details of the present staff strength of the Rubber Board, along with the category of officers and employees of the Board;
- (b) whether the Rubber Board has been in collaboration with the armed forces for the production of materials required for the army, navy and air force and with the Space Research Organization for facilitating research and manufacturing/production of space vehicles, satellites and rockets, etc.;
- (c) if so, details thereof;
- (d) whether the aviation industry and the Space Research Organisation of the country or foreign countries are dependent on natural rubber produced in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)
THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a): The present actual staff strength of the Rubber Board is as under:

Staff strength of Rubber Board	
Group	No of staff
Group A	196
Group B	534
Group C	542
Total	1272

(b) & (c): Rubber Board has been offering consultancy services to armed forces like Indian Army, Air Force, Navy, Border Security Force (BSF) and their allied agencies like BEML Ltd, Defence Research and

Development Organisation (DRDO), Mazagon Dock, etc. The Board also undertakes quality control measures of the vendor supplied rubber components to defence sector.

(d) & (e) : Natural rubber (NR) is used for various critical applications. Aircraft tyres are made of NR due to high level of heat resistance. Large sized tyres need a relatively high proportion of NR. NR based components are essential for space research. NR for all industrial purposes can be sourced from domestic or external sources. Aviation industry and Space Research Organisations of foreign countries depend on international markets for NR supply.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 515
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

INDIA'S SHARE IN GLOBAL FLORICULTURE TRADE

515. SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:
SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR S.:
SHRI SHYAM SINGH YADAV:

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

- (a) the details of quantum and value of flowers exported and imported during each of the last three years, variety/value and country-wise;
- (b) whether India's share in global floriculture trade is quite low despite huge demand for flowers from abroad;
- (c) if so, the details of the foreign exchange earned from the export of flowers during each of the last three years;
- (d) whether there is a huge demand for Indian flowers in international market and if so, whether any step has been taken to tap the huge demand;
- (e) whether any financial assistance is being provided to the growers and exporters of flowers and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the details of other steps taken by the Government to boost the export of flowers from the country?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)
THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a) The details of quantum and value of flowers exported and imported during each of the last three years, variety-wise/value-wise, are at **Annexure-I** and **Annexure-II** respectively. Country-wise/value-wise details of exports and imports are at **Annexure-III** and **Annexure-IV** respectively.
- (b) Yes, sir. India's share in the world trade of floriculture during 2018 was 0.4% (Source: UNCOMTRADE).
- (c) Details of value of exports of floriculture products are at **Annexure-I**.
- (d) to (f) : Presently, the share of India's export of floriculture products in global market is only 0.4% to promote and to enhance export of floriculture products, , the Agricultural & Processed Food Products

Export Development Authority (APEDA), an autonomous organisation under the administrative control of the Department of Commerce, has taken-up steps to boost export of horticulture products including floriculture viz. development of infrastructure, opening up of market access, outreach programmes, buyer seller meets, participation in national and international events. APEDA provides financial assistance to the exporters of agricultural and processed food products, including floriculture, under various component of its scheme “Agriculture & Processed Food Export Promotion Scheme of APEDA” viz. Infrastructure Development, Quality Development and Market Development. In addition, incentive is available on export of flowers under the Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS). Assistance for export promotions is also provided to Exporters/State Governments under various other schemes of Department of Commerce viz. Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES), Market Access Initiative (MAI) Scheme etc.

Annexure-I**Export of Floriculture Products**

Qty. In MT ; Value in US\$ Mill

HSCode	Product	2016-17		2017-18		2018-19	
		Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
6049000	Other (Excl Fresh) Foliage, Branches And Plants, Without Flowers Buds And Grasses, Mossesandlichens	10799.57	37.58	10709.54	38.22	10268.14	39.73
6029030	Tissue Culture Plants	168.61	8.23	247.02	9.88	319.26	13.4
6039000	À Othr Cut Flower & Flower Buds Suitable For Boquets/For Ormmtl Purposes	6767.79	19.84	4526.58	11.35	3476.47	9.49
6031100	Fresh Cut Flowers And Flower Buds For Bouquets Or For Ornamental Purpose : Roses	2029.95	8.58	2517.47	9	2134.34	8.19
6029090	À Other Live Plants	459.96	2.99	521.95	3.56	1039.96	3.96
6031900	Other Fresh Cut Flowers And Flower Buds	602.78	2.38	965.04	3.74	1412.31	3.43
6022090	Other Trees, Shrubs And Bushes	116.79	0.51	137.27	0.65	338.32	1.14
6011000	Bulbs, Tubers, Tuberous Roots, Corms, Crowns & Rhizomes, Dormant	71.13	0.53	102.44	0.67	85.13	0.75
6024000	Roses, Grafted Or Not	29.15	0.21	45.45	0.34	41	0.48
6022010	Edible Fruit Or Nut Trees, Grafted Or Not	12.73	0.11	51.1	0.1	41.03	0.41
6012090	Other Blbs, Tubrs, Tubrus Roots Etc.	18.2	0.15	58.16	0.27	213.35	0.37
6031200	Fresh Cut Flowers And Flower Buds For Bouquets Or For Ornamental Purpose : Carnations	15.69	0.03	96.3	0.33	89.46	0.24
6042000	Fresh Foliage, Branches And Plants, Nthving Flowers / Buds, And Grasses, Mosses And Lichens Fresh, Dried, Dyed	275.87	0.13	208.9	0.12	80.72	0.08
6012021	Chicory Plants	29.84	0.1	11.74	0.09	26.5	0.07
6031400	Fresh Cut Flowers And Flower Buds For Bouquets Or For Ornamental Purpose : Chrysanthemums	13.21	0.04	31.67	0.1	21.75	0.07
6029020	Flowering Plants (Excluding Roses And Rhododendrons)	0.32	0	6.79	0.04	8.73	0.05
6012010	Bulbs Horticultural	2.82	0.02	2.43	0.02	8.09	0.04
6029010	Mushroom Spawn	0.59	0	26.3	0.02	95.48	0.04
6021000	Unrooted Cuttings And Slips Of Live Plants	0.28	0.01	1.85	0.02	2.18	0.02
6012022	Chicory Roots	597.9	0.27	427.1	0.18	20.68	0.02
6031500	Fresh Cut Flowers And Flower Buds For Bouquets Or For Ornamental Purpose : Lilies (Lilium spp.)	6.13	0.02	4.19	0.01	2.51	0.01
6023000	Rhododendrons And Azaleas, Grafted Or Not	0	0	0.64	0	1.15	0
6031300	Fresh Cut Flowers And Flower Buds For Bouquets Or For Ornamental Purpose : Orchids	0.74	0.01	2.54	0.01	0	0
6022020	Cactus	0.3	0	1	0	0	0
	Total	22,020.35	81.74	20,703.47	78.72	19,726.56	81.99

Source: DGCI&S/APEDA

Import of Floriculture Products

Qty In MT ; Value in US\$ Mill

HSCode	Product	2016-17		2017-18		2018-19	
		Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
6029090	À Other Live Plants	1638.51	7.34	1936.56	8.39	184.92	9.36
6031300	Fresh Cut Flowers And Flower Buds For Bouquets Or For Ornamental Purpose : Orchids	1044.36	3.47	832.66	1.85	84.61	3.21
6012010	Bulbs Horticultural	1285.27	3.99	1327.65	3.84	73.6	3.1
6029030	Tissue Culture Plants	84.72	1.08	213.9	1.89	7.84	3.09
6029020	Flowering Plants (Excluding Roses And Rhododendrons)	194.77	0.73	191	0.97	11.74	1.73
6022090	Other Trees, Shrubs And Bushes	0	0	1	0.01	25.86	1.15
6011000	Bulbs, Tubers, Tuberous Roots, Corms, Crowns & Rhizomes, Dormant	541.47	1.33	394.26	0.92	35.12	1.12
6031900	Other Fresh Cut Flowers And Flower Buds	126.33	0.45	525.83	1.42	55.5	0.65
6049000	Other (Excl Fresh) Foliage, Branches And Plants, Without Flowers Buds And Grasses, Mosses and lichens	448.42	0.88	399.71	0.78	50.16	0.56
6021000	Unrooted Cuttings And Slips Of Live Plants	24.69	0.18	41.23	0.33	2.51	0.55
6012021	Chicory Plants	17.57	0.02	21.2	0.04	0	0.21
6029010	Mushroom Spawn	25.82	0.13	29.7	0.14	2.32	0.15
6039000	À Othr Cut Flwrs & Flower Buds Suitable For Boquets/For Ornmntl Purposes	105.19	0.37	315.21	0.54	0.97	0.07
6022020	Cactus	0	0	0	0	0.6	0.03
6031400	Fresh Cut Flowers And Flower Buds For Bouquets Or For Ornamental Purpose : Chrysanthemums	11.01	0.05	10.12	0.04	0	0.03
6024000	Roses, Grafted Or Not	1.96	0.02	0.72	0.01	0.06	0.02
6031100	Fresh Cut Flowers And Flower Buds For Bouquets Or For Ornamental Purpose : Roses	0	0	0.09	0	0	0.01
6042000	Fresh Foliage, Branches And Plants, NtHving Flowers / Buds, And Grasses, Mosses And Lichens Fresh, Dried, Dyed	0	0	0	0	0	0
6031200	Fresh Cut Flowers And Flower Buds For Bouquets Or For Ornamental Purpose : Carnations	0	0	0	0	0	0
6031500	Fresh Cut Flowers And Flower Buds For Bouquets Or For Ornamental Purpose : Lilies (Lilium spp.)	0	0	0.21	0	0	0
6012090	Other Blbs., Tubrs, Tubrus Roots Etc.	0	0	0.05	0	0	0
	Total	5,550.09	20.04	6,241.10	21.17	535.81	25.04

Source: DGCI&S/APEDA

Export of Floriculture Products - Country-wise						
Qty In MT ; Value in US\$ Mill						
	2016-17		2017-18		2018-19	
Country	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
U S A	3762.70	14.80	3489.02	16.29	4038.07	21.09
Netherland	1809.32	8.61	1855.00	10.19	1518.92	11.23
U K	2457.84	10.21	2116.98	8.26	1530.01	6.36
Germany	2439.66	9.34	1347.90	5.69	1251.71	5.69
U Arab Emts	1438.84	5.15	1211.45	4.54	1871.24	4.89
Canada	748.52	2.68	1133.35	3.30	878.99	3.37
Australia	250.07	1.95	198.74	2.04	250.53	2.30
Japan	365.05	2.22	284.04	2.11	310.37	2.26
Italy	555.10	2.40	522.49	2.58	403.24	2.25
Malaysia	520.82	1.79	793.46	2.06	862.00	2.19
Singapore	1347.01	2.47	1956.81	2.40	1998.34	2.12
Spain	186.31	0.99	250.41	1.61	304.39	1.62
Poland	328.56	1.35	342.18	1.21	335.18	1.53
Belgium	297.79	0.98	219.52	0.89	400.76	1.15
New Zealand	151.93	0.79	265.90	1.33	197.29	1.14
France	227.32	0.84	265.77	0.58	186.74	0.84
Maldives	186.62	0.56	210.32	0.55	364.97	0.82
Austria	171.27	0.61	125.71	0.53	154.74	0.77
Kuwait	156.15	0.47	146.36	0.55	258.57	0.74
Saudi Arab	528.75	1.12	378.94	0.92	258.18	0.60
Other Countries	4090.71	12.41	3589.12	11.09	2352.33	9.03
Total	22020.34	81.74	20703.47	78.72	19726.57	81.99

Source: DGCI&S/APEDA

Import of Floriculture Products - Country-wise						
Qty In MT ; Value in US\$ Mill						
	2016-17		2017-18		2018-19	
Country	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
Netherland	1947.38	6.56	1988.73	6.71	1600.90	6.83
Thailand	1601.20	6.19	2016.29	5.79	2030.60	6.69
China P Rp	508.71	1.66	1014.22	2.49	856.90	3.78
Italy	257.80	1.88	230.02	1.74	254.10	3.35
U K	33.57	0.50	22.39	0.55	0.00	0.53
Israel	18.88	0.25	24.40	0.37	1.00	0.52
U S A	11.63	0.18	16.36	0.28	4.40	0.48
Iran	2.09	0.02	130.00	0.64	0.00	0.36
Spain	521.64	0.76	104.30	0.25	20.80	0.30
Kenya	45.09	0.34	51.54	0.34	29.80	0.29
New Zealand	90.51	0.34	111.01	0.44	34.00	0.29
Taiwan	12.27	0.08	21.72	0.10	8.60	0.28
Turkey	12.21	0.01	1.60	0.01	0.00	0.15
U Arab Emts	31.01	0.25	35.90	0.23	0.00	0.13
Korea Rp	7.53	0.03	16.05	0.09	6.00	0.12
Indonesia	53.39	0.21	27.27	0.14	0.10	0.12
South Africa	30.98	0.14	7.78	0.05	0.00	0.11
Poland	5.75	0.07	30.92	0.14	0.00	0.09
Hong Kong	10.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.07
Argentina	0.00	0.00	0.11	0.01	0.00	0.07
Other Countries	348.48	0.54	390.50	0.80	510.80	0.48
Total	5550.12	20.04	6241.11	21.17	5358.00	25.04

Source: DGCI&S/APEDA

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 516
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

RELAXATION TO SEZ DEVELOPERS

516. SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:
SHRI ARVIND DHARMAPURI:

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

- (a) whether the Government is planning to extend time for and give relaxation to Developers for the development of Special Economic Zone (SEZ) projects in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of SEZs wherein relaxation for the development of SEZs is likely to be given;
- (d) whether any SEZs are being developed or got extension in the State of Telangana and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether any tax exemptions and incentives are proposed to be given and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)
THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (c): In terms of Rule 6(2)(a) of the Special Economic Zones Rules, 2006, the letter of approval granted to a SEZ developer is valid for a period of three years within which time effective steps are to be taken by the developer to implement the approved proposal. The Board of Approval (BoA) under Department of Commerce may, on an application by the developer and on recommendation of Jurisdictional Development Commissioner, extend the validity period of the letter of approval. BoA has granted extension of validity period to 154 developers of SEZ across the country including 16 developers in Telangana to complete their projects till now. Developers have sought extension of validity period of the letter of approval granted to them for the execution of their projects for various reasons including adverse business climate due to global recession, delay in approvals from statutory bodies, delay in environmental clearance, etc.

(d): The details of the SEZs which have got extension in the State of Telangana are at **Annexure.**

(e): The tax exemptions and other incentives allowed to SEZs are in built into the SEZs Act, 2005. Main fiscal concessions and duty benefits allowed to SEZ developers and units are as follows:

- i. Exemption from Central Sales Tax, Exemption from Service Tax and E xemption from State sales tax. These have now subsumed into GST and supplies to SEZs are zero rated under IGST Act, 2017.
- ii. Exemption from Income Tax for 15 years as per Income Tax Act
- iii. Duty free import/domestic procurement of goods
- iv. Exemption from State sales tax and other levies as extended by the respective State Governments.

Annexure to the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 516 for 5th February, 2020

Sl. No.	Name of the Developer	Location	Type of SEZ
1.	M/s. J.T. Holdings Private Limited	Maheshwaram Mandal, District Ranga Reddy, Telangana	IT/ITES
2.	M/s. Ananth Technologies Limited	Raviryala Village, Maheswaram Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.	IT/ITES
3.	M/s. GMR Hyderabad International Airport Limited	GMR Hyderabad International Airport, Shamshabad, Hyderabad, Telangana	Multi Services with International Financial Services Centre
4.	M/s. Telangana State Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Ltd.	Madikonda Village, Hanamkonda Mandal, Warangal District, Telangana	IT/ITES
5.	M/s. Stargaze Properties Private Limited	KanchaImarat, Raviryala Village, Maheswaram Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
6.	M/s. Parsvnath Infra Limited	Karakapatla Village, Mulugu Mandal, Medak District, Telangana	Biotechnology
7.	M/s. Cognizant Technology Solutions India Private Limited	Adibatla Village, Ibrahimpatnam Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
8.	M/s. Tata Consultancy Services Limited	Adibatla Village, Ibrahimpatnam Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
9.	M/s. Telangana State Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Ltd.	Karakapatla village, Mulugu Mandal, Medak District, Telangana	Biotechnology
10.	M/s. Hyderabad Metropolitan Development Authority	Kokapet village, Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
11.	M/s. Shantha Biotechnics Limited	Muppireddypalli village, Toopran Mandal, Medak District, Telangana	Biotechnology and related activities
12.	M/s. Radiant Corporation Private Limited	Muppireddypally village, Toopran Mandal, Medak District, Telangana	Electronic Hardware and Software and related activities
13.	M/s. GAR Corporation Private Limited	Kokapet Village, Gandipet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
14.	M/s. Divija Commercial Properties Private Limited	Raidurg Village, Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES
15.	M/s. Vaxenic Private Limited	Kolthur Village, Shameerpet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	Biotechnology & Bio-Pharmaceuticals
16.	M/s. GAR Corporation Private Limited	Kokapet Village, Gandipet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana	IT/ITES

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 518
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

INDIA'S EXPORT GROWTH

518. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

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

- (a) whether in almost all sectors the Government has failed to catch up with export growth and foreign currency in comparison to 2003-11 and 2012-17 period of business performance;
- (b) if so, whether exports of goods in 2012-17 has showed the deepest fall and all trade average has dipped by almost 34 per cent in 2012-17 when compared to 2003-11 period;
- (c) if so, the details of export performance in respect of GDP growth, Real Exchange Rate, Agriculture, Manufacturing, Goods export, services and financial sectors thereof; and
- (d) the details of restructuring and reform plan of the Government to compete the global trade thereto?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)
THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (c): India's merchandise exports and total merchandise trade (export plus import) along with growth during the block of 8 years, 2011-12 to 2018-19 over the previous block of 8 years, 2003-04 to 2010-11 are given in the following table, which reflects that India's merchandise export has increased by 108.19 % during the block of 8 years, 2011-12 to 2018-19, over the block of previous 8 years, 2003-04 to 2010-11, while India's total merchandise trade (both exports and imports) has increased by 108.38% during the same period.

(Value in US\$ Billion)

Year	Merchandise Exports			Total Merchandise Trade (Export plus Import)		
	Exports	Total 2003-11 and 2012-19	Growth in 2012-19 over 2003-11	Total Trade	Total 2003-11 and 2012-19	Growth in 2012-19 over 2003-11
2003-04	63.98	1154.18	108.19%	141.99	2891.94	108.38%
2004-05	83.75			195.05		
2005-06	103.04			252.26		
2006-07	126.41			312.15		
2007-08	163.13			414.79		
2008-09	185.3			488.99		
2009-10	178.75			467.12		
2010-11	249.82			619.59		
2011-12	305.96			795.28		
2012-13	300.4	2402.88	108.19%	791.14	6026.12	108.38%
2013-14	314.42			764.61		
2014-15	310.35			758.37		
2015-16	262.29			643.30		
2016-17	275.85			660.21		
2017-18	303.53			769.11		
2018-19	330.08			844.10		

Source: DGCI&S, Kolkata

(d): India's rank in global merchandise export has improved in the last three years from 21 in 2015 to 19 in 2018 as per WTO. In order to boost India's exports and compete with the global trade, Government has taken following steps in last five years:

- (i) A new Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2015-20 was launched on 1st April 2015. The policy, inter alia, rationalized the earlier export promotion schemes and introduced two new schemes, namely Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS) for improving export of goods and 'Services Exports from India Scheme (SEIS)' for increasing exports of services. Duty credit scrips issued under these schemes were made fully transferable.
- (ii) Based on Mid-term Review of the FTP 2015-20 undertaken on 5th December, 2017, incentives for labour intensive / MSME sectors were increased by 2%.
- (iii) A new Logistics Division was created in the Department of Commerce for integrated development of the logistics sector. India's rank in World Bank's Logistics Performance Index moved up from 54 in 2014 to 44 in 2018.

- (iv) Interest Equalization Scheme on pre and post shipment rupee export credit was introduced from 1.4.2015 providing interest equalisation at 3% for labour intensive / MSME sectors. The rate was increased to 5% for MSME sectors with effect from 2.11.2018 and merchant exporters were covered under the scheme with effect from 2.1.2019.
- (v) For improving ease of doing business, online issuance of Importer Exporter Codes (IEC), has been started. India's rank in World Bank 'Ease of Doing Business' ranking improved from 142 in 2014 to 63 in 2019 with the rank in 'trading across borders' moving up from 122 to 80.
- (vi) A new scheme called "Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES)" was launched with effect from 1st April 2017 to address the export infrastructure gaps in the country.
- (vii) A comprehensive "Agriculture Export Policy" was launched on 6th December, 2018 with an aim to double farmers' income by 2022 and provide an impetus to agricultural exports.
- (viii) A new scheme called "Transport and Marketing Assistance" (TMA) has been launched for mitigating disadvantage of higher cost of transportation for export of specified agriculture products.

Further, Government's restructuring and reform plan in this direction include:

- (a) A new Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP) Scheme has been proposed in the Budget 2020-21 that would provide a long term WTO compliant framework under which the industry would be able to claim re-imburement of duties and taxes. The new RoDTEP Scheme would refund, currently un-refunded:
 - (i) Duties/ taxes / levies, at the Central, State and local level, borne on the exported product, including prior stage cumulative indirect taxes on goods and services used in the production of the exported product and
 - (ii) Such indirect Duties/ taxes / levies in respect of distribution of exported product.
- (b) A new Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies (RoSCTL) Scheme has been notified by the Ministry of Textiles for the apparel and made-ups sector on 07.03.2019 after approval of the Cabinet, under which rates of rebate as present in the earlier Rebate of State Levies scheme (ROSL) were revised and revised rates were also notified on 08.03.2019. The rebates under this scheme are notified to be issued in the form of MEIS type scrips, from the Department of Commerce/DGFT.

(c) A new Scheme, NIRVIK Yojana, has been designed, which is a supplementary cover to existing ECIB cover of ECGC under the stimulus package of the Government, to catalyze flow of export credit to all exporters.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 530 (H)
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

EXPORT/IMPORT OF MINERALS

530(H). SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

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

- the details of export/import of minerals, iron-ores and their products along with their value from the country, country-wise;
- the percentage of export of minerals to their total production in the country;
- whether the incidents of illegal export of some minerals particularly iron-ores have come to the notice of the Government;
- if so, number of such cases reported during the said period and the follow up action taken by the Government in this regard;
- whether the Government proposes to review the present export-import policy to protect domestic industries of minerals and metals, particularly of iron ores; and
- if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)
THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- Export/import data of iron ore, minerals and their products with regard to last three years and current year including country-wise data is at Annexure-I
- Details of export of mineral- iron ore and its production is at Annexure-II
- & (d) The instance of illegal export of minerals for the last three years is as under:-

Year	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
No. of cases	9	7	7

As per Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs, appropriate action has been taken under Customs Act, 1962 including issuing Show Cause Notices.

- & (f) At present there is no proposal to review the existing export-import policy with respect to minerals/metals.

Export Data of Iron ore, Minerals and their products

Item Description	Value of Export (in Mill. US \$)			
	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20 (P) (upto December, 2019)
ALUMINIUM, PRODUCTS OF ALUMINM	3244.69	4800.89	5730.91	3895.63
BULK MINERALS AND ORES	419.21	402.17	618.05	532.99
COPPER AND PRDCTS MADE OF COPR	2672.94	3481.36	1067.26	707.50
IRON AND STEEL	8683.01	11244.74	9742.01	7246.32
IRON ORE	1533.53	1471.06	1317.29	1952.30
LEAD AND PRODUCTS MADE OF LED	236.89	396.65	402.91	295.73
MICA	55.83	81.40	71.30	41.00
NICKEL, PRODUCT MADE OF NICKEL	92.65	44.78	68.58	78.00
OTH NON FERIOUS METAL AND PRODC	446.17	505.18	546.78	411.67
OTHER CRUDE MINERALS	131.84	146.13	174.67	112.21
PROCESSED MINERALS	898.51	970.32	1181.86	692.68
PRODUCTS OF IRON AND STEEL	5895.44	6770.20	7259.37	5285.05
SULPHUR, UNROASTED IRON PYRITE	52.13	66.37	63.05	45.66
TIN AND PRODUCTS MADE OF TIN	8.84	11.10	9.82	7.39
ZINC AND PRODUCTS MADE OF ZINC	609.71	956.18	603.09	406.11

Import Data of Iron ore, Minerals and their products

Item Description	Value of Import (in Mill. US \$)			
	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20 (P) (up to December, 2019)
ALUMINIUM, PRODUCTS OF ALUMINM	3557.04	4605.34	5538.97	3464.74
BULK MINERALS AND ORES	4286.96	6207.37	3878.27	2293.29
COPPER AND PRDCTS MADE OF COPR	3449.40	4575.11	5346.73	3959.60
IRON AND STEEL	8238.88	10432.22	12582.29	8755.82
IRON ORE	322.25	655.19	844.12	114.30
LEAD AND PRODUCTS MADE OF LED	597.09	814.51	785.76	515.26
MICA	1.28	1.68	1.90	1.60
NICKEL, PRODUCT MADE OF NICKEL	554.94	637.51	742.17	563.30
OTH NON FERIOUS METAL AND PRODC	835.39	1109.04	1285.84	915.26
OTHER CRUDE MINERALS	272.84	325.57	377.63	287.91
PROCESSED MINERALS	862.37	1486.80	2131.40	1101.71
PRODUCTS OF IRON AND STEEL	3444.17	4185.37	5074.43	3615.19
SULPHUR, UNROASTED IRON PYRITE	131.19	165.88	217.13	99.54
TIN AND PRODUCTS MADE OF TIN	173.32	242.87	223.44	164.03
ZINC AND PRODUCTS MADE OF ZINC	701.65	827.28	810.07	500.21

(P): Provisional Source: DGCI&S, Kolkata

Country wise export of iron ore
(Crore)

(Value in Rs.

Country	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20 (P) (Apr-Dec)
CHINA P RP	9729.40	7039.08	6703.71	10761.46
JAPAN	153.89	1223.57	605.31	961.14
KOREA RP	28.57	580.92	743.81	637.31
OMAN	215.16	227.77	174.58	392.78
TURKEY	-	-	46.88	333.35
MALAYSIA	-	61.60	157.32	167.82
OTHER COUNTRIES	163.81	354.66	828.14	478.64
Grand Total	10290.82	9487.60	9259.75	13732.49

(P): Provisional Source: DGCI&S, Kolkata

Country wise import of iron ore
(Crore)

(Value in Rs

Country	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20 (P) (Apr-Dec)
SOUTH AFRICA	1106.66	1541.13	1760.21	320.15
BRAZIL	796.08	1224.67	1046.73	229.05
AUSTRALIA	3.34	727.91	2145.12	87.45
CANADA	0.01	0.01	107.99	74.78
IRAN	50.84	24.14	0.06	43.81
OTHER COUNTRIES	200.65	706.09	847.70	43.87
Grand Total	2157.58	4223.93	5907.82	799.11

(P): Provisional; Source: DGCI&S, Kolkata

The total production of iron ore and percentage of export of iron ore from total production in India during last three years;

Production of Iron ore

(Qty in thousand tones)

Mineral: iron ore	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19 (P)
	Qty	Qty	Qty
Production	194584	201426	2016446
Export reported in MCDR returns by mine owners	12247	8340	3640
% of Export from Total Production in India	6.3	4.1	1.8

(P): Provisional; Source: MCDR returns

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 537
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

SETTING UP OF REDGRAM BOARD

537. DR. G. RANJITH REDDY

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

- (a) whether there have been demands from various sections, including Redgram farmers, for setting up Redgram Board in Tandur in Ranga Reddy district of Telangana;
- (b) if so, the details of the efforts being made by the Government to set up Redgram Board in Tandur;
- (c) whether any consultations in this regard have been held; and
- (d) if so, the outcome of the same?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)
THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a): No Sir. No demand from any section, including Redgram farmers, has been received in the Department of Commerce, for setting up Redgram Board in Tandur in Ranga Reddy district of Telangana.

(b) to (d): Does not arise.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 547
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

IMPLEMENTATION OF AGRI EXPORT POLICY

547. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:

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

- (a) whether there is any proposal to adopt a focused approach for ensuring greater involvement of the State Governments for effective implementation of Agri Export Policy (AEP);
- (b) if so, the details in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has requested the States to finalize action plan for AEP with the aim to double such exports;
- (d) if so, the response of States thereto along with the current status of the action plan in other States; and
- (e) the corrective steps so far taken to expedite the formulation and implementation of AEP?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)
THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a & b) : The Government has introduced a comprehensive Agriculture Export Policy (AEP), which inter-alia aims at greater involvement of the State Governments in promoting agricultural exports. Involvement of the States has been envisaged in the following:

- i. Inclusion of Agri Export Policy in the State Export Policy.
- ii. Identification of State Nodal Agency for promotion of agri exports.
- iii. To set up institutional mechanism at State and Cluster level by forming Committees to support exports
- iv. Infrastructure and logistics to facilitate agricultural exports

(c & d): Yes, Sir. Department of Commerce has requested all the State Governments and UTs to finalize their action plan for AEP with aim to double agriculture exports. Eight States have

finalised the State specific Action Plans. 25 States and 2 UTs have designated nodal agencies to promote agricultural exports. 16 States have constituted State Level Monitoring Committees.

(e): To monitor the implementation of the AEP, an Inter Ministerial Committee (IMC) has been formed. Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) has held a series of meetings with states and stakeholders, convened national workshops, made field visits, identified existing infrastructure gaps in the clusters/states, organised buyer-seller meets, launched farmer connect portal on its website, opened market intelligence cell etc., for expediting the implementation of AEP.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 557
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

ISSUANCE OF e-BRC

557. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

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

- (a) whether there is an inordinate delay by banks in issuing electronic-Bank Realization Certificate (e-BRC);
- (b) whether any step has been taken in expediting the issuance of e-BRC; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)
THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a): From time to time, some cases of delay in uploading the electronic Bank Realization Certificate (e-BRC) by banks have been brought to the notice of Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT).

(b) & (c): Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has been asked to issue necessary guidelines to all Banks for:

- i. Generating the e-BRCs as soon as the forex realization has occurred for the Shipping Bills.
- ii. Uploading the e-BRCs to the DGFT server and RBI's Export Data Processing and Monitoring System (EDPMS) simultaneously.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 560
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

BUDGETARY EXPENDITURE BY THE RUBBER BOARDS

560. ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:

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

- (a) whether most of the budgetary allocation to the Rubber Board is spent as establishment expenditure on the wages and allowances of staff, leaving only a small portion of the total allocation for the welfare and education of rubber farmers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken steps to optimize the establishment expenditure of the Rubber Board and/or extend financial assistance to the Board to ensure sufficient spending on the stakeholders; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)
THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b) Budgetary allocation for Rubber Board for the year 2019-20 is Rs.170 crore against which Rs.105 crore is being spent towards pay and allowances. Apart from expenditure towards Pay & Allowances, substantial expenditure is also being incurred towards education, skill-development of farmers & extension/ advisory services.

Besides, Rubber Board is also carrying out developmental activities to support growers through convergence of schemes with Central and State Ministries/ agencies such as Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana(PMKVY), Additional Skill Acquisition Programme (ASAP) etc.

(c) & (d) Several steps have been taken by the Rubber Board to optimize its establishment expenditure which inter-alia includes reorganization/ restructuring of offices and establishment, reduction of sanctioned staff strength, centralization of salary and wage payments and merger of different departments in Head office. Efforts have also been made for more budgetary allocation to the Rubber Board and increase of Internal and Extra Budgetary Resources(IEBR) of the Rubber Board.

A restructuring plan has also been finalized in November, 2019 for Rubber Board .

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 568
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

FEATURES OF AGRI-EXPORT POLICY

568. SHRI SANJAY SADASHIV RAO MANDLIK:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:

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

- (a) whether the Government has recently announced an Agri-Export Policy (AEP);
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the aims, objectives and salient features of the said policy;
- (c) whether the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) has held any meetings with the State Governments and other stakeholders for effective implementation of the said policy and preparation of State Action Plan and if so, details thereof;
- (d) whether the Ministry has held any discussions with the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Food Processing Industry and other agencies for seeking the inputs for formulating a strategy to increase exports and address bottlenecks in the trade;
- (e) if so, the details and outcome thereof; and
- (f) whether the Ministry has signed an MoU with the National Cooperative Development Corporation to include Cooperatives for their active role in AEP and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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(a & b) The Government has introduced a comprehensive Agriculture Export Policy with the following vision:

“Harness export potential of Indian agriculture, through suitable policy instruments, to make India a global power in agriculture, and raise farmers’ income.”

Inter-alia, the objectives of the Agriculture Export policy are as under:

- (i) To diversify our export basket, destinations and boost high value and value added agricultural exports, including focus on perishables.
- (ii) To promote novel, indigenous, organic, ethnic, traditional and non-traditional Agri products exports.
- (iii) To provide an institutional mechanism for pursuing market access, tackling barriers and dealing with sanitary and phytosanitary issues.
- (iv) To strive to double India's share in world agri exports by integrating with global value chains.
- (v) Enable farmers to get benefit of export opportunities in overseas market.

The envisaged initiatives in the Agriculture Export Policy have been organised in two categories – Strategic and Operational – as detailed below:

Strategic	Policy measures
	Infrastructure and logistics support
	Holistic approach to boost exports
	Greater involvement of State Governments in agri exports

Operational	Focus on Clusters
	Promoting value added exports
	Marketing and promotion of “Brand India”
	Attract private investments into production and processing
	Establishment of strong quality regimen
	Research & Development
	Miscellaneous

(c) The Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) has prepared State-specific Action Plans and shared them with the respective States for vetting and finalization. APEDA had series of meetings with the States followed by several follow-ups and correspondences for the finalization of draft action plan. Maharashtra, U.P., Kerala, Nagaland, Tamil Nadu, Assam, Punjab and Karnataka have finalised the State specific Action Plans. 25 States and 2 UTs have designated nodal agencies to promote agricultural exports. 16 States have constituted State Level Monitoring Committees.

(d & e) Department of Commerce is in constant touch with the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Ministry of Food Processing Industries and other concerned agencies to formulate a strategy to increase agricultural exports. Several meetings have been held in this regard. Top 10 products, 10 countries and 20 export potential Products, 20 potential countries have been identified for increasing exports. These lists have been shared with all stakeholders for a focussed effort to

increase agricultural exports. A Sub-group under the Chairmanship of Chairman, APEDA and comprising of members from concerned Line Ministries has been formed to monitor the progress made in this regard.

(f) APEDA and National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) have signed a MoU, under which following areas of cooperation have been identified:

- i. To jointly formulate programs to provide technical knowhow to cooperatives to upscale infrastructure created for post harvest management for APEDA scheduled products to promote exports
- ii. APEDA to share list of all clusters in various states with NCDC who may approach the clusters for achieving scale and aggregation with export orientation. APEDA to facilitate exports by the cooperatives assisted or identified by NCDC.
- iii. APEDA to facilitate certification of organic produce /areas by the cooperatives assisted or identified by NCDC.
- iv. To jointly work towards capacity development of various stakeholders.
- v. To jointly come towards organizing outreach programs, awareness programs and workshops for stakeholders.
- vi. To jointly work together to showcase, the products, technologies, processes, knowledge and services by the cooperative sector stakeholders through variety of modes to the Indian and Global Market.
- vii. APEDA and NCDC to jointly work together to achieve the goal of Doubling the Farmers Income as set out by the Government.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 589
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

IMPORT OF CHINESE NON-ESSENTIAL GOODS

589. SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL:
SHRI GAUTAM SIGAMAANI PON:
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

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

- (a) whether the Government has announced strict restrictions on imports of non essential goods from China recently and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of number of such non essential goods;
- (c) whether the Government has made any assessment on the loss being incurred by the domestic manufacturers due to increase in such imports of such goods from China and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has any proposal to ban the import of cheap plastic goods from China due to toxic contamination;
- (e) if so, the details thereof indicating the period of ban/restrictions;
- (f) whether the Government proposes to review the import policy in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the details of other steps being taken by the Government to help in reducing India's dependence on China and to curb low quality imports from China?

ANSWER

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(a) to (c): India does not maintain any country specific import restrictions except for considerations like scientific, environmental, health & life of human, animal and plant. However, the assessments on the effectiveness of various remedial measures, including, restrictions taken to curb non-essential imports takes into account several factors such as existing domestic manufacturing capacities and its utilization, quality of imports, import intensity of exports, provisions of bilateral/multilateral agreements etc.

(d) to (g): Adequate provisions exist to protect the Indian consumers from low quality and harmful imports, as imported goods are subject to domestic laws, rules, orders, regulations, technical specifications, environmental and safety norms. In order to strengthen the implementation of environmentally sound management of hazardous waste in the country, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has notified the Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management & Transboundary Movement) Rules,2016. Further, India has an elaborate and robust legal framework and institutional set up to protect its environment, life and health of its people, plants and animals. The BIS standards applicable to domestic goods are also applicable to imported goods.

The Government on the recommendation of Food Safety and Standard Authority of India, had prohibited import of milk products including chocolate and chocolate products, candies/confectionaries/food preparations with milk from China due to the concerns regarding high melamine contamination in 2008, which has been extended vide DGFT notification dated 23.04.2019.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 596 (H)
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

SEZ IN BUNDELKHAND

596(H). SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

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

- (a) whether the Government plans to construct a Special Economic Zone (SEZ) in Bundelkhand under the Special Economic Zones Act, 2005;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there are obstacles in setting up of SEZ in Bundelkhand and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of new initiatives taken by the Government for rehabilitation and resettlement of farmers displaced from agricultural land acquired for development of SEZ areas in the country?

ANSWER

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THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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(a) to (c): No Sir, there is no proposal for setting up a Special Economic Zone (SEZ) in Bundelkhand region at present. SEZ being setup under the SEZ Act, 2005 and SEZ Rules, 2006 are primarily private investment driven initiatives.

(d): Land is a State Subject. Compensation to the land owners for the land acquired for Special Economic Zone (SEZ) is a State subject as per Entry No. 18 of the State List in the 7th schedule to the Constitution of India and under the provisions of Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 644 (H)
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

INCREASE IN IMPORT

644(H). SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:
SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:

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

- (a) whether there has been any increase in import of products particularly of MSME (Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises) sector due to anti-dumping policy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any action plan to deal with this situation;
and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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(a) to (d): Directorate General of Trade Remedies (DGTR) conducts an anti-dumping investigation on import of a product on the basis of a duly substantiated application filed by the domestic industry with a prima-facie evidence of dumping into the country causing injury to the domestic industry.

The anti-dumping investigation is conducted in accordance with Customs Tariff (Identification, Assessment and collection of Anti-dumping Duty on Dumped Articles and for Determination of Injury) Rules, 1995, as amended from time to time, framed under the Customs Tariff Act, 1975. DGTR critically analyses the submissions and evidence on record and issues a final finding containing its recommendation regarding imposition of appropriate anti-dumping measure. The basic intent of anti-dumping measure is to eliminate injury caused to the domestic industry and to create a level playing field for the domestic industry. Acting upon the recommendation of the DGTR, the Department of Revenue may levy provisional or definitive anti-dumping duty. Since such anti-dumping duty is in addition to other duties levied on the product, its imposition discourages import of the concerned product by making it costlier.

To assist the domestic industry, particularly MSMEs, to file application for trade remedy measures, DGTR has established a Help Desk & Facilitation Centre with effect from 23.09.2019. The Help Desk also guides the MSME units, with the support of concerned Administrative Ministry/ Department, in removing 'data gaps' encountered in the process of filing a trade remedial application, thus enhancing their access to trade remedies.

DGTR is also conducting outreach programmes to sensitize the domestic manufacturers about the trade remedy measures available to the industry to counter the unfair trade practices being adopted by the exporters in the exporting countries.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 645 (H)
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

INCREASE IN EXPORT OF ORGANIC PRODUCE

645(H). SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:
SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:

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

- (a) the details of the steps being taken by the Government to increase the export of organic produce;
- (b) the quantum of organic produce exported during the last three years;
- (c) whether the Government is implementing any specific programme to promote the export of organic produce in all States including Assam and Haryana; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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(a) The promotion of exports of organic products 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 organic products. APEDA provides assistance to the exporters of organic products under various components of its export promotion schemes. APEDA also undertakes various activities to promote exports of organic products viz. addition of new products under National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP), making efforts to get NPOP standards recognized by the importing countries, promoting 'India Organic' brand through participation in international trade fairs and exhibitions, organising Buyer-Seller Meets (BSMs), organising capacity building and outreach programmes etc.

(b) Quantum of organic produce exported during the last three years is as follows:

Year	Quantity (MT)	Value in Rs. crore	Value in million USD
2018-19	614090	5150.99	757
2017-18	458339	3453.48	516
2016-17	309767	2478.17	370

Source: Data submitted by Certification Bodies in TraceNet

(c) & (d) Yes, sir. APEDA regularly holds training, capacity building and outreach programmes in various States for promoting exports of organic agricultural produce. Details are at **Annexure-I**. APEDA organized jointly for 10th and 11th editions of Biofach India, an international event to promote Indian organic products, held in October 2018 and November 2019 respectively. APEDA also facilitates participation of Indian exporters of organic products at two exclusive organic products international fairs held in Nuremberg, Germany and Anaheim, USA by organizing Indian pavilions in these events.

Details of Trainings/outreach and other events organized by APEDA for promotion of export of organic products from India during the years 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20.

2016-17

Sl. No.	Awareness/Training/ Outreach programme	Location	Date
1	Capacity building Training programme on Inspection and certification systems	Gangtok, Sikkim	May 2016
2	Capacity building Training programme on NPOP and market connect	Guwahati, Assam	20-21 June 2016
3	Capacity building Training programme on NPOP and market connect	Shillong, Meghalaya	4-5 July 2016
4	Capacity building Training programme on NPOP and market connect	Dimapur, Nagaland	7-8 July 2016
5	Capacity building Training programme on NPOP and market connect	Naharlagun Arunachal Pradesh	28-29 July 2016
6	Capacity building Training programme on NPOP and market connect	Agartala, Tripura	10-11 August 2016
7	Capacity building Training programme on NPOP and market connect	Aizwal, Mizoram	4-5 October 2016
8	Capacity building Training programme	Delhi	22-23 June 2016
9	Capacity building training for evaluation Committee	Delhi	27-28 Feb 2017
10	Outreach programme on Organic Exports	Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh	25 November 2016
11	Awareness programme on Organic Production of Honey	Sunder ban, West Bengal	22 Dec 2016
12	Outreach programme on Organic Exports	Bhubaneswar	26 Dec 2016
13.	Outreach cum Buyer-seller Meet	Guwahati, Assam	18-19 January 2017
14	Capacity building Training programme	Delhi	07 Feb 2017

2017-18

Sl. No.	Awareness / Training / Outreach programme	Location	Date
1.	Capacity building Training programme on NPOP	Delhi	6-7 July 2017
2.	Capacity building Training programme on NPOP	Delhi	18-20 December 2017
3.	Trainings for Evaluation Committee members on New product categories	Delhi	27-28 February 18
4.	Outreach on market facilitation for organic products and Buyer-seller meet	Imphal, Manipur	17-18 April 2017
5.	Buyer and Seller meet organized during National Trade Fair – Organics and Millets 2017	Bangalore	28-30 April 2017
6.	Outreach on market facilitation for organic products	Bhubaneswar, Odisha	01.02.2018
7.	Outreach on market facilitation for organic products and Buyer-seller meet	Dimapur, Nagaland	19.03.2018

Besides above a mega event 19th World Congress was organized wherein APEDA was the principal partner.

1.	Organic World Congress	Greater Noida	9-11 th November 2017
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2018-19

Sl. No.	Awareness / Training / Outreach programme	Location	Date
1.	Capacity building Training programme on NPOP for Assam (8), Mizoram (10), Tripura (8) and Sikkim (9) states	Guwahati	28-29 May 2018
2.	Capacity building Training programme on NPOP for Manipur (9), Meghalaya (13), Nagaland (8) and Arunachal Pradesh (12)	Guwahati	30-31 May 2018
3.	Outreach-cum-Buyer Seller Meet	Agartala, Tripura	23 rd July 2018
4.	Interaction-cum-feedback meeting and training on NPOP with CBs	APEDA, Delhi	18 th December 2018
5.	Outreach Programme on Export Promotion	Bhopal	20.12.2018
6.	Outreach Programme on Export Promotion	Indore, MP	21.12.2018
7.	Training programme on NPOP and certification systems	Indore	22.12.2018
8.	Refresher Training on NPOP for Existing EC Members	Delhi	29.01.2019
9.	Training programme on NPOP for new EC members	Delhi	30-31.01.2019
10	Outreach Programme on Promotion of Exports	Patna, Bihar	05.2.2019
11	Training on NPOP	Patna, Bihar	06.02.2019
12.	Training on NPOP	Ranchi, Jharkhand	08.02.2019
13.	Outreach on promotion of exports from Jharkhand	Ranchi, Jharkhand	09.02.2019

2019-20

Sl. No.	Awareness / Training / Outreach programme	Location	Date
1.	Outreach-cum-Buyer Seller Meet	Kohima Nagaland	20.08.2019
2.	Outreach-cum-Buyer Seller Meet	Aizawl, Mizoram	21.12.2019
3.	International Buyer Seller Meet	Agartala Tripura	26-27 Sept. 2019
4.	International Buyer Seller Meet	Imphal Manipur	
5	Capacity building training at Raipur Chhattisgarh	Raipur	27-28 Sept 2019

6.	Capacity building programme for Certification bodies development of NE	Guwahati, Assam	5-6 August 2019
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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 656
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

TARIFF IMPOSITION BY THE US

656. SHRI CHANDAN SINGH:
SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

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

- (a) whether Indian exporters are facing problems due to tariffs imposed by the US on exports of products like steel and aluminium and IT services;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has taken up this matter with the US authorities to lift such tariffs; and
- (c) if so, the details and outcome thereof?

ANSWER

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(a) to (d): The U.S., in March 2018, has imposed additional tariff of 25% on steel and 10% on aluminium imports from various countries, including India. The impact of the increase in these tariffs has been limited. In 2017-18, the share of US in India's steel exports was 3.3% which came down to 2.5% in 2018-19 the year the tariffs were imposed. The U.S. has not imposed any tariffs recently on IT services from India.

After the U.S has imposed additional tariffs on aluminium and steel imports in March 2018, India challenged the US measure by taking it to the Disputes Settlement Mechanism under WTO.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 663
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

CRISIS IN CASHEW INDUSTRY

663. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

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

- (a) whether Indian cashew industry is in crisis;
- (b) if so, the details of the actions taken for revival of cashew industry;
- (c) whether banks are attaching cashew industry on account of Non Performing Asset (NPA) issue and if so, the details of actions taken thereon;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to declare moratorium to the loans availed by the cashew industry and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to give directions to banks to implement revival package and if so, the details of the actions taken thereon;
- (f) whether cashew workers have lost their employment due to the closing down of cashew industries; and
- (g) if so, the details of actions taken to protect the interest of workers?

ANSWER

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(a & b): It has come to the notice of the Government that due to supply situation of raw cashew nuts in the international market, certain section of the cashew industry is facing some difficulties. The Government has taken several steps to address the issues affecting cashew industry:

- i. Import Policy for cashew kernels, both whole and broken, has been changed from 'free' to 'prohibited' vide notification dated 12th June 2019 and the imports are allowed only if the CIF value is more than Rs. 680/- per kg for broken and Rs. 720/- per Kg for whole cashew kernel.

- ii. Basic Custom Duty on import of raw cashew nut has been reduced from 5% to 2.5% w.e.f 01.02.2018.
- iii. Goods and Service Tax (GST) for Cashew nuts has been reduced from 12% to 5%.
- iv. Under Mid Term Review of Foreign Trade Policy (FTP), Merchandise Export from India Scheme (MEIS) for cashew was increased to 5% (from 3%) for cashew kernel and 7% (from 5%) for salted/roasted cashew, respectively.
- v. The Standard Inputs Output Norms (SION) was revised to 1 kg kernel from 5.04 kg of raw cashew nuts as against earlier norms of 1 kg from 4 kg of raw cashew nut for export of Cashew Kernel, from imported raw cashew nut, under Advance Authorization Scheme.
- vi. Approved Medium Term Framework (2017-2020) Scheme for Process Mechanization and Automation of Cashew Processing Units with financial outlay of Rs.60.00 crore.
- vii. Duty free import of raw cashewnuts is allowed under Duty Free Tariff Preference (DFTP) Scheme from Least Developed Countries (LDCs).
- viii. Extended financial assistance to Cashew Export Promotion Council of India (CEPCI) for organizing Buyer Seller Meet (BSM) and participation in International fair under Market Access Initiative (MAI) scheme, in order to tap new markets and Branding.

(c) to (e): As per the information received from the industry, the banks have been taking action to recover the outstanding loans from the cashew industry. The Cashew Export Promotion Council of India (CEPCI) have submitted a proposal requesting moratorium on the loans availed by the cashew exporters, restructuring of outstanding bank dues and additional funding. Department of Commerce has forwarded the proposal to the Department of Financial Services for their consideration.

(f) & (g): The Department of Commerce has not received any information of cashew workers having lost their employment due to the closing down of cashew industries.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 671
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2020

EXPORTS FROM ROHTAK AND JHAJJAR

671. SHRI ARVIND KUMAR SHARMA:

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

- (a) considering exports of nut-bolts, fasteners, shoes, agro-products and chemicals from Rohtak and Jhajjar districts and their strategic location in Delhi NCR, whether there is any plan under the Ministry to open an Inland Container Depot (ICD) and Export Facilitation Center; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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- (a) & (b) CBIC, Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance on its own does not set up any Inland Container Depot (ICD) in the country. The various proposals for setting up of ICDs received from developers are put before the Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC), which issues Letter of Intent to the developers in case the proposals are approved. There is no proposal pending before IMC for setting up of ICD in Rohtak and Jhajjar.

Further, the Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES) is being implemented by Department of Commerce under which financial assistance is provided to Implementing Agencies of the Centre and States for setting up and up-gradation of infrastructure projects with overwhelming export linkages like the Border Haats, Land customs stations, quality testing and certification labs for exports, trade promotion centres, Export Facilitation Centre etc. There is no proposal pending under TIES for setting up of Export Facilitation Centre in Rohtak and Jhajjar.
