GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFMICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES **RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO07.03.2011 ANSWERED ON ALL INDIA CENSUS OF MSMES**

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Will the Minister of COALMICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state :-

(a) whether it is a fact that as per the Fourth All India census of MSMEs nearly 5 lakh units closed down over a period of last five years;

(b) what are the other important findings of the above Census;

- (c) whether the Ministry tried to find out the reasons behind this disaster;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) what efforts the Ministry is making to instill confidence in the MSME sector?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI VIRBHADRA SINGH)

(a) As per results of Fourth All India Census of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in registered sector, number of closed units is 4.96 lakhs, as on 31.3. 07. This accounts for all the units, closed over all the past years.

(b) In registered MSME Sector, number of units and employment, has increased from 13.75 lakhs and 61.63 lakhs to 15.64 lakhs and 93.09 lakhs, respectively from 31.3.02 to 31.3.07. Production in the registered MSME Sector has increased from 2,03,255 crore during 2001-02 to Rs. 7,07,510 crore during 2006-07. Thus there is an impressive growth in all the three major parameters.

(c) to (e) As obvious, number of registered working units has gone up from 13.75 lakhs as on 31.3.02 to 15.64 lakhs as on 31.3.07. Within this overall growth trend, closure of few particular units (due to circumstantial compulsions) is irrelevant from all-India point of view.