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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 255 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03rd FEBRUARY, 2023

FREE TRADE AGREEMENT WITH TAIWAN

255 SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that recently Minister of Economic Affairs of Taiwan visited India;
- (b) if so, details of the visit and whether it is also a fact that Taiwan is helping India to set up semiconductor manufacturing units in India as a part of FTA between India and Taiwan;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the Ministry is also taking help from Taiwan in areas of 5G, information security, Artificial Intelligence, etc.;
- (d) if so, details thereof; and
- (e) the status of FTA with Taiwan and by when the FTA would become a reality?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

- (a) & (b): No, Sir.
- (c) to (e): India is not engaged with Taiwan for any help in the areas related to roll out of 5G services. Taiwanese companies are, however, participating in various programmes launched by Government of India to boost electronics manufacturing and semiconductor ecosystem in India. Government of India facilitates and promotes interactions in areas of trade, investment, tourism, culture, education and other such people-to-people exchanges with Taiwan.
