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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1804 ANSWERED ON 04/08/2023

PROMOTING EXPORT HUBS IN THE COUNTRY

1804. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA:

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

- (a) whether Government is taking measures to promote districts as export hubs in the country aimed at targeting export promotion, manufacturing and employment generation at the grass roots level;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the proposed export hubs in the State of Chhattisgarh;
- (c) the details of progress made in this regard;
- (d) the employment potential in this regard; and
- (e) the proposed measures to be taken in this regard?

ANSWER

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

The Government has taken measures to promote exports from the districts under the (a) to (e): District Export Hub Initiative. All the districts of Chhattisgarh have been included under the Districts as Export Hubs initiative. Products/Services with export potential have been identified in these districts under the initiative. An institutional mechanism has been set up in States/UTs by forming State Export Promotion Committee (SEPC) and District Export Promotion Committee (DEPC) at the District level. District Export Action Plans under "Districts as Export Hubs" detailing the existing bottlenecks in the supply chain and identifying possible interventions to mitigate the existing gaps are being prepared by the districts. These outline the support required by the local exporters and manufacturers to seamlessly export the identified products and services by supporting new businesses to export and generating employment opportunities in the districts. To encourage exports from the districts under "Districts as Export Hubs", export promotion outreach events are being held in various districts. This includes handholding sessions with exporters and export related with exporters along with representatives of various related awareness sessions

agencies/departments such as Department of Posts, Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC), Banks, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), Export Promotion Councils, Local Trade Associations/Chambers of Commerce, District Industries Centers, etc.

The products and services for all districts under the "Districts as Export Hubs" have been identified on the basis of consultation with the States/UTs. Regular updation of the products and services is being carried out in consultation with the State/UTs. The list of the products/Services identified in the districts of Chattisgarh is at *Annexure*.

Annexure referred to in reply to Parts (a) to (e) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1804 for answer on 04.08.2023.

Annexure

Districts	Products
Balod	Rice, Jowar, Maize, Millets, Mango, Cauliflower, Pigeon Peas, Handloom.
Baloda Bazar	Rice, Maize, Pigeon Peas, Lathylus, Cement.
Balrampur	Rice, Jowar, Maize, Potato.
Bastar	Bastar Iron Craft, Rice, Jowar, Maize, Potato, Dhokra, Tamarind
Bemetara	Rice, Jowar, Maize, Pigeon Peas, Soyabean, Mango, Limestone/Dolomite, Papaya Based products
Bijapur	Rice, Jowar, Maize, Pigeon Peas, Soyabean, Mango, Minor Forest Produce like Mahua.
Bilaspur	Maize, Pulses, Rice, Wheat, Sesame.
Dantewada (South Bastar)	Rice, Maize, Finger Millet, Niger, Iron Ore, Tamarind
Dhamtari	Mungbean, Blackgram, Ground nut, Sesame, Paddy, Rice
Durg	Rice, Jowar, Pigeon Peas, Blackgram, Soyabean, Limestone, Tomato based products.
Gariyaband	Rice, Pigeon Peas, Mustard- Rapeseed, Ground nut, Chirounji
Gaurella Pendra	
Marwahi	Rice, Pigeon Peas, Mustard- Rapeseed, Ground nut.
Janjgir-champa	Rice, Pigeon Peas, Mango, Cauliflower, Kosa
Jashpur	Potato, Wheat, Barley, Oil Crop, Litchi

Kabirdham	Rice, Mango, Banana, Cauliflower, Cabbage, Sugarcane based products.
Kanker	Rice, Wheat, Pigeon Peas, Green Gram, Custard Apple based products
Khairagarh-	
Chhuikhadan Gandai	Soyabean
Kondagaon	Rice, Mango, Cauliflower, Cabbage, Brinjal, Bastar Iron Craft, Dhokra, Bastar Craft
Korba	Maize, Pulses (All Types) , Rice, Soyabean, Mahua
Koriya	Maize, Pulses (All Types) , Rice, Soyabean, Tomato
Mahasamund	Mungbean, Ulid, Ground nut, Sesamum, Maize, Granite, Milk based products
Manendragarh-	
ChirmiriBharatpur	Tomato
Manpur-Mohla-	
Ambagad Chowk	Soya Bean
Mungeli	Rice, Pigeon Peas, Green Gram, Black Gram, Maize, Ground nuts
Narayanpur	Rice, Pigeon Peas, Black gram, Mango, Black gram
Raigarh	Rice, Pigeon Peas, Gram, Horse Gram, Ground nut, Dhokra work, Tomato
Raipur	Rice, Maize, Soyabean, Mango, Papaya Based products
Rajnandgaon	Rice, Maize, Soyabean, Mango.
Sukma	Rice, Pigeon Peas, Jowar, Maize, Millets, Wooden Crafts,
Surajpur	Rice, Jowar, Maize, Potato, Turmeric.
Surguja	Rice, Jowar, Maize, Potato, Jackfruit