GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT FOR PROMOTION OF INDUSTRY AND INTERNAL TRADE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1487. TO BE ANSWERED ON FRIDAY, THE 15TH DECEMBER, 2023.

MANUFACTURING SECTOR IN KERALA

1487 Smt. Jebi Mather Hisham:

Will the Minister of **Commerce and Industry** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of industries functioning in the manufacturing sector in Kerala, the details of investment;
- (b) whether the Central Government has set up any units in the manufacturing sector in Kerala, details over the last three years;
- (c) the details of the enterprises run by the Central Government in Kerala that have already been disinvested over the past three years, how much funds have been mobilised by the disinvestment, the details thereof, enterprise-wise; and
- (d) whether any industrial units from Kerala have approached the Central Government for seeking the prospects of Foreign Direct Investment?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI SOM PARKASH)

(a)&(b): Industry is a state subject. However, Central Government comes out with several initiatives and policies from time to time to promote industrialisation in various parts of the Country, including state of Kerala.

The primary responsibility of keeping information regarding Industries in a state rests with the State Governments. However, as per the data available with the Vyavasaya Jalakam & Year of Enterprises portals of the Directorate of Industries and Commerce (Government of Kerala), 1,21,626 industries are functioning in the manufacturing sector in Kerala with an investment of Rs.13,143.18 Crore.

- (c): The Government follows the policy of disinvestment through the strategic disinvestment and minority stake sale. None of strategically disinvested PSEs over the past three years pertain to Kerala State.
- (d): Most of the Sectors are open to Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) under the automatic route. Further, State wise data of industrial units which approached the Central Government seeking the prospects of the FDI is not maintained.