GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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CRITERIA FOR ESTABLISHING CHIP MANUFACTURING COMPANIES

1530. DR. C.M. RAMESH:

Will the Minister of Electronics and Information Technology be pleased to state:

- (a) whether semi-conductor experts across the globe have reportedly advised Government to establish clear eligibility criteria to build semi-conductor fabrication plant of Semi-Conductor devices, details thereof;
- (b) the number of foreign companies that have so far approached Government to set up plants in India for chip manufacturing; and
- (c) the details and the status thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a) to (c): Clear eligibility criteria has been specified in each of the schemes under the Semicon India Programme. The schemes approved were drafted after due consultation with stakeholders including semiconductor experts. Construction on first semiconductor unit under the Semicon India program has commenced in Sanand, Gujarat. A prominent semiconductor company has begun construction of its largest semiconductor design centre in Bengaluru. Another prominent semiconductor company has collaborated with Indian Institute of Science to train a large pool of engineers conversant in semiconductor technologies. Further, Mobile production has increased from Rs 18,900 crores in 2014-15 to Rs 3,50,000 crores in 2022-23.
