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IMPACT OF CHINESE IMPORTS ON INDIAN MSME

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the Global Trade Research Initiative's (GTRI) observations that the dominance of Chinese imports is displacing local production and threatening the survival of Indian MSMEs;
- (b) if so, the specific measures being taken to protect MSMEs in sectors where Chinese imports dominate the market; and
- (c) the measures taken to counter the impact of Chinese imports and boost local production and exports in affected sectors?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
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- (a) to (c): The Government of India has taken several measures to boost overall domestic manufacturing and reduce reliance on imports. Some of the measures taken are as below:
- i. Under 'Make in India' initiative, the Government has launched Production Linked Incentives (PLI) Schemes in 14 critical sectors like textile, electronics, pharmaceuticals, white goods, telecom and Networking products, etc., where there is substantial dependency on imports.
 - ii. Introduction of stricter quality standards and measures for quality controls, testing protocols, and mandatory certification to check substandard & poor-quality products in the market in sectors like steel, toys, chemicals, leather and footwear and protect consumer's interest.
 - iii. Encouraging Indian business establishments to explore alternative suppliers and to diversify their supply chains to reduce dependency on single source of supply.
 - iv. Negotiating Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) with major economies to create new export markets and reducing reliance on single source of supply.

Besides these measures, the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) is implementing various schemes to support MSMEs in the Country to make them more competitive at global level to reduce imports and enhance exports, such as, Champions scheme, Tool Room and Technical Institutions (TR & TI), International Cooperation (IC) scheme etc.
