

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

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RESTRUCTURING OF MSME CLUSTER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

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

- (a) whether Government is restructuring MSME Cluster Development Programme in line with the “Make in India” goal, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether there has been an increase in MSME loans under the Credit Guarantee Fund Trust Scheme; and
- (c) whether Government has taken any new initiatives to integrate MSME export units into the global value chain, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SUSHRI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE)

(a): Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises is implementing Micro and Small Enterprises Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP) in line with the objectives of “Make in India” mission. This programme aims to enhance the productivity and competitiveness of MSEs for their holistic development by adopting cluster approach with following objectives:

- i) To enhance the sustainability, competitiveness and growth of MSEs by addressing common issues such as improvement of technology, skills & quality, market access, etc.
 - ii) To build capacity of MSEs and Startups for common supportive action through integration of self-help groups, consortia, district Industry associations, etc.
 - iii) To create/upgrade infrastructural facilities in the new / existing Industrial Areas /Clusters of MSEs.
 - iv) To set up Common Facility Centres in Industrial area (for testing, training centre, raw material depot, effluent treatment, complementing production processes).
 - v) Promotion of green & sustainable manufacturing technology for the clusters so as to enable units switch to sustainable and green production processes and products.
- (b): Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Micro and Small Enterprises (CGTMSE) has approved credit guarantees worth Rs. 5.08 lakh Crore for Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) in the past two years, compared to Rs. 4.26 lakh Crore over the previous twenty-three years, indicating that loans sanctioned under the Credit Guarantee Scheme (CGS) for MSEs have registered a quantum jump in last two years.

(c): Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) is implementing "International Cooperation Scheme" to provide financial assistance to facilitate visits/participation of MSMEs in international organizing international exhibitions/fairs/buyer-seller meets and for conferences/seminar/workshops in India. Under this scheme, financial support is also provided to the first-time Micro & Small exporters on Registration-cum-Membership Certification (RCMC) with Export Promotion Councils (EPCs), Export Insurance Premium and Testing & Quality Certification for exports. The scheme provides opportunities to MSMEs to continuously update themselves to meet the challenges emerging out of changes in technology, changes in demand, emergence of new market etc.

During the last five years, i.e. 2020-21 to 2024-25, 1361 MSMEs have benefited from the scheme.

Further, the Government has approved "Export Promotion Mission (EPM)" on 12.11.2025, as a comprehensive framework to strengthen the overall export ecosystem. The Mission will provide a comprehensive, flexible, and digitally driven framework for export promotion, with a total outlay of Rs.25,060 crore for FY 2025-26 to FY 2030-31. Under EPM, support shall be provided through NIRYAT PROTSAHAN, which focuses on trade finance facilitation for MSME exporters, and NIRYAT DISHA, which provide non-financial enablers that enhance market readiness and competitiveness including export-quality and compliance support, assistance for international branding, and participation in trade fairs, export warehousing and logistics, inland transport reimbursements, and trade intelligence and capacity building initiatives.
