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

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5883(H) TO BE ANSWERED ON 10<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 2017

#### **CONCESSIONS AND BENEFITS TO SEZS**

#### 5883(H). SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

SHRI B.V. NAIK:

SHRI PONGULETI SRINIVASA REDDY:

SHRI CHANDRAKANT KHAIRE:

SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री ) be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the amount of tax exemptions as well as financial assistance given to Special Economic Zones (SEZs) during the last three years and the current year, year-wise along with the revenue earned by these SEZs through export during the said period;
- (b) whether the Government is planning to increase the tax exemptions and other benefits to SEZs and if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government to the achievement of the required objectives from the financial assistance given to SEZs;
- (c) whether certain developers of SEZs have sought cancellation of their projects in some States and if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the reasons therefor; and
- (d) whether the Government has taken any decision to re-allocate SEZs to new developers or formulate any other strategy to utilize the land under SEZs and if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

## THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a): The fiscal concessions and duty benefits allowed to Special Economic Zones (SEZs) are in-built into the SEZs Act, 2005 and Rules thereunder. However, no financial assistance is given to SEZs by the Central Government.

(i) Duty exemptions for the last three years and the current year is as under:

Years	Duty Exemptions (Rs. in crore)
2013-2014	40,239
2014-2015	40,632
2015-2016	52,216
2016-2017	56,418
(as on 31.12.2016)	

(ii) Revenue earned through exports from the SEZs during the last three years and the current year is as under:

Years	Exports (Rs. in crore)
2013-2014	4,94,077
2014-2015	4,63,770
2015-2016	4,67,337
2016-2017	3,58,203
(as on 31.12.2016)	

- (b): No Madam. There is no such proposal is under consideration of the Government.
- (c): As on date 109 SEZs developers have sought cancellation of their projects in some States as the Developers have found the projects economically unviable in the changed economic situation. State-wise distribution of number of said SEZs approved for cancellation is at **Annexure.**
- (d): No Madam. Land is a State subject. Central Government only consider the proposal of setting up of new SEZs if recommended by the concerned State Government. As such, question of re-allocating SEZs land by the central government to the new developers does not arise.

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State-wise distribution of number of said SEZs approved for cancellation	
States/UTs	Numbers
Andhra Pradesh	6
Dadra Nagar Haveli	1
Delhi	1
Gujarat	8
Haryana	6
Karnataka	8
Kerala	3
Madhya Pradesh	6
Maharashtra	28
Odisha	1
Punjab	4
Tamil Nadu	10
Telangana	14
Uttarakhand	1
Uttar Pradesh	6
West Bengal	6
GRAND TOTAL	109

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