

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL POLICY & PROMOTION
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2474.
TO BE ANSWERED ON MONDAY, THE 31ST JULY, 2017.**

GROWTH OF MANUFACTURING SECTOR

2474. SHRI MD. BADARUDDOZA KHAN:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY** be pleased to state:

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) whether it is a fact that the growth of manufacturing sector in the country has witnessed unprecedented decline;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including leather, textiles, steel, etc. during each of the last two years and the current year;
- (c) whether Government has assessed the impact of this decline on Indian industries;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the corrective measures taken by Government in this regard?

ANSWER

**वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्यमंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)(श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(SHRIMATI NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)**

- (a) & (b):** The industrial performance measured in terms of Index of Industrial Production (IIP) reflects movements in production of manufacturing, mining and electricity over base year 2011-12 has been higher during 2016-17 as compared to 2015-16. As per IIP, the manufacturing sector registered a growth of 4.8 per cent in 2016-17 compared to a growth of 3.0 per cent in 2015-16.
- (c) to (e):** The Government is regularly monitoring the growth of Industrial Production and various initiatives have been taken to boost Industrial growth. These inter-alia, include 'Make in India' initiative under which thrust sectors have been identified to provide a push to manufacturing in India, 'Startup India' initiative and 'Ease of Doing Business'. Steps taken to improve ease of doing business include simplification and rationalisation of existing rules and introduction of information technology, setting up of an Investor Facilitation Cell, launch of e-biz Portal and liberalising policy for industrial licensing. Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) policy and procedures have been simplified and liberalised progressively.
