

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

**LOK SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION NO. \*187**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.01.2018**

**PUBLIC PROCUREMENT PORTAL**

\*187 SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:  
SHRIMATI KAVITHA KALVAKUNTALA:

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

- (a) whether the government has recently launched a Public Procurement Portal 'MSME Sambandh' for helping in monitoring the implementation of Public Procurement from the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) by various Central Public Sector Enterprises and to cope with the requirement of Ministries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including its key features along with the total amount of procurement done by the CPSEs from MSMEs during the last year; and
- (c) the other initiatives/steps taken /proposed to be taken by the Government for strengthening the MSME sector in the country?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES  
(SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH)

(a)to(c): A statement is laid down on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFFERD TO THE REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION  
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(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): Ministry of MSME has launched the Public Procurement Portal titled “**MSME SAMBANDH**” on 08.12.2017. The portal will help in monitoring the procurement by Central Government Ministries, Departments and Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) and will enable them to share the list of required products/services from MSEs. The following features are available in the portal:

- Central Government Ministries, Departments and Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) have been provided authenticated access in the portal.
- The CPSEs are required to upload their annual procurement targets on the portal.
- Monthly Update of Procurement by CPSEs from MSEs
- Monthly Update of Procurement by CPSEs from MSEs owned by SC/ST
- Reports for monitoring by Heads of Ministries, Departments and CPSEs
- Items purchased by CPSEs - Hyperlinks to CPSEs web page from Sambandh Portal will be available in public domain.

Total procurement as reported by 106 Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) from Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) during the financial year 2016-17 is Rs. 24469.611 crores.

(c): For strengthening MSME sector in the country, the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises has taken various initiatives including Public Procurement Policy for MSEs, Market Development Assistance Scheme, National Manufacturing Competitiveness Programme (NMCP), Credit Guarantee Scheme, Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme, Technology Center System Programme (TCSP), Prime Minister’s Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Scheme for Khadi / Village industries and COIR, Scheme for Promoting Innovation and Rural Entrepreneurship (ASPIRE), Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI) and Cluster Development Programme etc.

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