

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

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2283.  
TO BE ANSWERED ON MONDAY, THE 1<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY, 2018.**

**INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION**

**2283. SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI:**

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

**वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री**

- (a) whether it is true that the Index of Industrial Production (IIP) fell during October and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is cognizant of the problem of “missing middle” in the industry sector in India and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the corrective measures the Government is taking to address the long term problem of “missing middle” in industry sector and to boost the industrial growth of the country?

**ANSWER**

**वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्यमंत्री (श्री सी.आर. चौधरी)**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY  
(SHRI C.R. CHAUDHARY)**

- (a): As per Central Statistics Office, Index Industrial Production (IIP) stood at 123.0 in October 2017 as compared to 120.3 in October 2016, registering a growth of 2.2 per cent.
- (b) & (c): The Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises implements various schemes and programmes for promotion and development of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in the country. The major schemes / programmes of the Ministry, inter-alia, include Prime Minister’s Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Credit Guarantee Scheme, Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme (CLCSS), National Manufacturing Competitiveness Programme, Marketing Development Assistance and Skill Development Programme, etc.

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