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

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 487 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02nd APRIL,2018

CHAMPION SERVICES SECTORS

*487. SHRI PREM DAS RAI:

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

- (a) whether the Government has recently identified 12 Champion Services Sectors for promoting their development and realizing their potential;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the extent to which the identification of these Sectors will be beneficial for their growth and development;
- (c) whether the Government aims to provide support other than financial support for this purpose; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री सुरेश प्रभु)

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI SURESH PRABHU)

a) to d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 487 FOR ANSWER ON 02nd APRIL,2018 REGARDING "CHAMPION SERVICES SECTORS".

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) to (d): The Cabinet has recently approved the following proposals of the Department of Commerce:
 - i. Inclusion of twelve services sectors, namely Information Technology & Information Technology enabled Services (IT & ITeS), Tourism and Hospitality Services, Medical Value Travel, Transport and Logistics Services, Accounting and Finance Services, Audio Visual Services, Legal Services, Communication Services, Construction and Related Engineering Services, Environmental Services, Financial Services and Education services under the Champion Services Sector initiative.
 - ii. Directions to the nodal ministries concerned with these sectors for formulation of action plan covering cross-cutting issues and sectoral action plans in consultation with stakeholders concerned and the Department of Commerce, so as to inter-alia include necessary targets and outcomes, timelines for implementation and other relevant elements.
 - iii. Constituting a Committee of Secretaries (CoS) chaired by Cabinet Secretary, including Secretaries concerned for the Champion Services sectors, for timely and regular monitoring of Sectoral Action Plans on a quarterly/more frequent basis. Department of Commerce shall provide Secretariat support for the CoS.
 - iv. For situations requiring approvals and provision of funds at a level beyond the Department / Ministry concerned, an earmarked dedicated fund of Rs.5000 Crore to be created to support sectoral initiatives of the identified Champion Services sectors to enable expedited approvals.

The initiative is aimed at formulation of sectoral / cross cutting action plans for focused attention on the identified Champion Services sectors to promote their growth, in the interest of employment generation and increasing exports, with necessary financial and other support.
