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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 255. TO BE ANSWERED ON MONDAY, THE 5TH FEBRUARY, 2018.

PROMOTION OF FOOTWEAR INDUSTRY

255. SHRI RAJU SHETTY:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY** be pleased to state: वाणिज्य एवं उदयोग मंत्री

- (a) whether there is a huge potential in promoting the footwear industry particularly Kolhapuri sandals and shoes from entire Maharashtra State and particularly from Kolhapur;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to promote such industries in Maharashtra, particularly in Kolhapur?

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): Yes, Madam. There is potential for promoting the footwear industry in the State of Maharashtra including Kolhapur.
- (b) & (c): No State specific policy has been formulated by Government. However for promotion of leather industry in the country, Government has approved 'Indian Footwear, Leather & Accessories Development Programme (IFLADP)', a Central Sector scheme, for development of infrastructure for the leather sector and facilitate investment and employment generation with an approved expenditure of Rs. 2600 crore over the next three financial years, i.e., 2017-18 to 2019-20.
