

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3757
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19th MARCH, 2018

EXPORTS FROM LABOUR INTENSIVE SECTORS

3757. SHRI ANOOP MISHRA:

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

- the total quantity and value of exports from labour-intensive sectors during the last three years and the current year, year and sector-wise;
- whether the exports from the labour intensive sectors have declined during the said period and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, sectorwise;
- whether the Government has formulated any scheme to promote the exports from such sectors and if so, the details thereof; and
- whether the Government has any proposal to include any agricultural products produced in Madhya Pradesh under the said scheme and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सी. आर. चौधरी)

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

(a) & (b): The total value of exports from the major labour-intensive sectors during the last three years and the current year are as follows:

Export from Labour Intensive Sector				(Values In Million USD)		
COMMODITY	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2016-17 (Upto Jan'17)	2017-18 (Upto Jan'18)	%growth (Apr'17-jan'18 over Apr'16- Jan'17)
Tea	681.79	720.03	731.26	609.12	706.93	16.06
Coffee	814.02	783.87	842.84	660.28	771.66	16.87
Gems and Jewellery	41266.07	39284.27	43412.76	35290.66	34302.98	-2.80

Sectors	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2016-17 (Upto Jan'17)	2017-18 (Upto Jan'18)*	%growth (Apr'17- Jan'18 over Apr'16- Jan'17)
Engineering Goods	73074.84	61949.53	67216.12	52635.01	63961.87	21.52
Cotton Yarn/Fabs./Madeups, Handloom Products Etc.	10774.60	10119.36	9862.20	8110.07	8374.84	3.26
Man-Made Yarn/ Fabs./Madeups etc.	5275.03	4621.66	4557.08	3732.05	3959.11	6.08
RMG of All Textiles	16833.32	16964.36	17368.15	13949.39	13772.58	-1.27
Jute Mfg. Including Floor Covering	296.96	295.36	309.95	259.87	284.27	9.39
Carpet	1360.77	1440.07	1490.19	1217.25	1189.88	-2.25
Handicrafts Excl. Hand Made Carpet	1378.04	1648.00	1926.75	1605.58	1479.81	-7.83
Sports Goods	274.50	227.72	224.83	191.20	194.49	1.72
Rubber and Articles	1378.31	1379.26	1409.66	1343.48	1323.43	-1.49
Total	153408.26	139433.49	149351.79	119603.95	130321.83	8.96

Source: DGCI&S, Kolkata (*Provisional)

Due to different units of measurement, the quantity of sector-wise is not additive and hence total quantity of export is not available. The data in the above table reflects that India's total export from major labour-intensive sectors has increased by 8.96% during 2017-18 (Apr- Jan) as compared to corresponding period of previous year. Some labour intensive sectors like Gems and Jewellery, RMG of all Textiles, Carpet and Handicrafts excluding handmade carpet have shown decline in export during (Apr 2017- Jan 2018) as compared to corresponding period of previous year. The main reasons for declining trend of exports include global and domestic factors such as demand and supply in domestic and international markets, currency fluctuations, cost of credit, logistics costs, etc.

(c): In order to promote the India's export including labour intensive sector, the government has announced a major relief package for exporters in October 2017 by extending the Advance Authorization (AA)/ Export Promotion Capital Goods (EPCG)/ 100% EOU schemes for sourcing inputs etc. from abroad as well as domestic suppliers. During the mid-term review of Foreign Trade Policy, export incentives under Merchandise Exports from India (MEIS) have been increased by 2% for labour intensive and MSME sectors leading to additional annual incentive of Rs 4,567 crore. This was in addition to already announced increase in MEIS incentives from 2% to 4% for Ready-made Garments and Made Ups in the labour intensive Textiles Sector with an additional annual incentive of Rs 2,743 crore. Further, incentives under Services Exports from India Scheme (SEIS) have also been increased by 2% leading to additional annual incentive of Rs 1,140 crore.

In addition to above, financial assistance schemes under 12th Agriculture Export Promotion Plan Scheme of APEDA were provided to exporters for export of APEDA's scheduled products under the following components:

- i. Scheme for infrastructure Development
- ii. Scheme for Quality Development
- iii. Scheme for Market Promotion

(d): Export promotion schemes are uniformly applicable to all States, including Madhya Pradesh.
