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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4868 TO BE ANSWERED ON 26th MARCH,2018

DUTY FREE EXPORT TO USA

4868. DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

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

- (a) whether India is exporting duty free products to the United States of America (USA) under the Generalised System of Preferences (GSP) programme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the total volume of products exported to the USA under GSP during the years 2016 and 2017, product-wise?

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) Yes, Madam.
- (b)&(c) India is one of the beneficiary country under USA GSP programme and during the years 2016 and 2017 India's exports under GSP accounted for US\$ 4.7 billion and US\$ 5.6 billion, respectively.

As per United States Trade Representative (USTR) figures, the GSP benefit to India was given under 1952tariff lines in the year 2016 and 1937 tariff lines in 2017,at HS Code 8-digit level. The major sectors/product chapters which have benefited are Organic Chemicals; Articles of iron or steel; Vehicles other than railway or tramway rolling-stock, and parts and accessories thereof; Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances and parts thereof; Plastics and articles thereof; Electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof, sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles; Articles of stone, plaster, cement, asbestos, mica or similar materials.
