# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT FOR PROMOTION OF INDUSTRY AND INTERNAL TRADE

#### LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1329. TO BE ANSWERED ON MONDAY, THE 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2019.

### PROMOTION OF TV MANUFACTURING

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SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL:

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

## वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) whether Government is proposed to scrap duty on open cell LED panels-a critical television component with duty free imports from Asian countries and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether proposed duty free import is becoming more attractive than manufacturing TVs locally, hurting the 'Make in India' initiative and if so, the response of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether many TV manufacturing companies including Samsung Electronics have stopped making televisions in India and is now importing them from Asian countries and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to encourage the companies for manufacturing in India?

#### **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): No, Madam.

(b) to (d): Import of LCD/LED TVs from Free Trade Agreement (FTA) Countries including China is 3,68,000 units in 2017-18 and it is 7,58,000 units during April to October, 2018. Although Samsung has stopped production of TVs in India and import from Vietnam has risen during 2017-18, Government has undertaken several initiatives to promote domestic electronics manufacturers. Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology has implemented Incentives Schemes,

increased FDI up to 100% and introduced 'Nil' Basic Customs Duty for notified Capital Goods. Proactive steps are taken in Research and Development with grant-in-aid to premier technology institutes to support "Make in India". National Centre for Excellence have been set up in areas of Flexible Electronics (NCFleXE), Technology for Internal Security (NCETIS), Next Generation AMOLED Displays, OLED Lighting and OPV Products and Internet of Things (IoT).

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