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

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 87 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY, 2019

#### **EXPORT OF ENGINEERING GOODS**

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

- (a) whether there has been a decline in the export of engineering goods from the country during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of target fixed and achieved for the export of engineering goods during the said period, country-wise and product-wise;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to provide fiscal incentives including extension of interest subvention scheme and other stimulus to the engineering sector to stem the fall in export of engineering goods; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the specific steps taken/being taken by the Government to boost the export of engineering goods from the country?

### **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 value of engineering exports from India in the last three years and the current year is given below:

(In US\$ billion)

	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2017-18	2018-19
				(Apr-Dec)	(Apr-Dec)
Engineering Exports	58.60	65.24	76.21	55.81	59.12
Growth (%) over the	(-) 17.07%	11.26%	16.87%		5.95%
corresponding period					
of previous year					

As shown above, engineering exports witnessed a decline of 17.1 % in 2015-16 vis-à-vis the previous year due to slump in demand following economic slowdown and recession in many regions of the world, especially the developed ones. However, the engineering exports have been on the rise since then.

(c) The targets for engineering exports fixed by the EEPC India, the export promotion council for engineering products and actual exports during 2015-16 to 2018-19in respect of engineering sector, are given below. No country-wise/product-wise targets are fixed by the Council.

## Engineering Exports(US\$ billion)

	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Target	75	65	70	80
Actual Exports	58.60	65.24	76.21	59.12 (April-Dec)

- (d) & (e): The Government has taken several initiatives for enhancing competitiveness of Indian exports, especially the engineering sector which, inter-alia, include:
  - (i) Under the Interest Equalization Scheme, equalization @ 3% was allowed to manufacturer exporters for products covered under 416 tariff lines, including many engineering products, and for all tariff lines to MSME manufacturers. With effect from 02.11.2018, the rate of interest equalization has been enhanced to 5% for MSME manufacturers for all tariff lines, including all engineering products;
  - (ii) Merchant exporters have recently been included under the Interest Equalization Scheme;
  - (iii) A variety of export promotion activities are being undertaken through EEPC India, including the annual International Engineering Sourcing Show in India and the Indian Engineering Exhibitions across the world, for promoting engineering exports;
  - (iv) The brand 'Indian Engineering' is being promoted to enhance the global image of Indian engineering products;
  - (v) A technology upgradation initiative is being implemented for development of cutting-edge export-oriented technologies, etc.

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