

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
DEPARTMENT FOR PROMOTION OF INDUSTRY AND INTERNAL TRADE
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1883.
TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 3RD JULY, 2019.**

DEMAND OF CEMENT

1883. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

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

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- (a) whether it is reported that there is going to be a huge demand of cement in the next two years;
- (b) if so, the measures taken to increase the utilisation capacity as well as production capacity; and
- (c) the manner in which the Government will bridge the shortage including importing of cement and controlling price increase?

ANSWER

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**THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

- (a) to (c):** No Sir. No such report has been received regarding likely huge demand of cement in next two years. Demand of cement, in general, is linked to growth in infrastructure and housing sectors. Annual installed capacity of cement in the country is around 510 million tones. Annual cement production during the year 2018-19 has been 337.22 million tones resulting in an average capacity utilization of around 67%. In view of the above, there is enough capacity to meet additional demand of cement in future.
