

**HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES  
DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2512  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.07.2019**

**Factors Restricting Domestic Demand**

2512. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether negative approach towards domestic hike in prices under the procurement policy of the Government, hard contractual conditions, continuous imports, use of obsolete machinery with no encouragement for their replacement, zero import charges under project import and delay in implementation of projects are the factors that inhibit domestic demand; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES & PUBLIC ENTERPRISES  
(SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT)**

(a) & (b): In order to strengthen the technology development and to augment the manufacturing infrastructure in the Capital Goods sector, the Department of Heavy Industry launched a scheme for the 'Enhancement of Competitiveness in the Indian Capital Goods Sector' in the year 2014. This was followed by the National Capital Goods Policy, 2016 which enunciates the initiatives that are being taken to accelerate the growth of the Capital Goods sector.

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