

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5401
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th APRIL, 2023

IMPORT OF DOGS

5401. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

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

- (a) whether the Ministry of Commerce has banned import of dogs vide Notification no. 3/2015-2020 dated 25.04.2016 and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether due to the ban revenue loss is taking place which can be utilized in animal welfare and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that thousands of dogs are illegally brought into India by paying huge duty to neighbouring countries and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is aware that the Ministry of Skill Development has approved courses for breeding, canine grooming and training in their programme and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether it is a fact that breeding and pet care industry is the livelihood for millions of families and industry is growing at double figures and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती अनुप्रिया पटेल)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a) to (e) Directorate General of Foreign Trade, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry vide Notification No.3/201520 dated 25.04.2016 has restricted the import of dogs. As per the given notification, the import of commercial dogs for breeding or any other commercial activities is not permitted. However, Import of dogs is allowed for the following specific purposes:

- i. Pet dog with valid pet book and relevant records/documents in the name of importer.
- ii. Dogs imported by the R&D Organisations for conducting research with the recommendation of CPCSEA.
- iii. For the internal security by the Defence and Police Force.

Further, the Ministry of Skill Development has approved the following courses in their program related to animal husbandry-

Occupation	QP/Job Role Name
Captive and Small Animals Management	Canine Breeder
Captive and Small Animals Management	Canine Trainer and Handler
Captive and Small Animals Management	Companion Animal Groomer
Captive and Small Animals Management	Stray Animal Catcher
Captive and Small Animals Management	Laboratory Animal Attendant
Livestock Health Management	Artificial Insemination Technician
Livestock Health Management	Livestock Service Provider