

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 957
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08TH FEBRUARY, 2023

EXHIBITION CENTRES

957. SHRIMATI GODDETI MADHAVI:

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

- (a) the number of exhibition centres in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to establish more exhibition centres in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has taken any initiatives to ensure regular exhibitions at these centres; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

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): Department of Commerce (DoC) provides financial assistance to export infrastructure project proposals received from Central and State Government agencies, which includes exhibition centres; under the Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES). Under TIES scheme, State-wise details of exhibition centres are given below:

Sl. no.	Implementing Agency	Project Name	Status	State
1.	Madhya Pradesh State Tourism Development Corporation	Establishment of Trade Promotion centre at Minto hall, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh	Completed	Madhya Pradesh
2.	MANIDCO, Govt. of Manipur	Establishment of Main Exhibition Building (Phase II) at Trade cum Permanent Exhibition Centre, Imphal, Manipur	Completed	Manipur

3.	Madras Export Processing Zone (MEPZ) - SEZ	Construction of Trade Facilitation Centre at MEPZ SEZ, Tambaram Taluk, Kancheepuram District, Tamil Nadu	Ongoing	Tamil Nadu
4.	SIPCOT	Establishment of Export Trade Facilitation Centre	Completed	Tamil Nadu
5.	Uttar Pradesh Handicrafts Development & Marketing Corporation Ltd.	Development of Trade Promotion Centre at Gomti Nagar, Lucknow	Ongoing	Uttar Pradesh

Further, India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO), a CPSE under Department of Commerce, has the mandate of organising various trade fairs and exhibitions at its exhibition complex in Pragati Maidan and other centres in India. It has three subsidiaries Tamil Nadu Trade Promotion Organisation (TNTPO), Karnataka Trade Promotion Organisation (KTPO) and Jammu and Kashmir Trade Promotion Organisation (JKTPO). Accordingly, ITPO and its subsidiaries have following exhibition centres:

Sl. no.	Exhibition Centres	State
1.	India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO)	Delhi
2.	Tamil Nadu Trade Promotion Organisation (TNTPO)	Tamil Nadu
3.	Karnataka Trade Promotion Organisation (KTPO)	Karnataka
4.	Jammu and Kashmir Trade Promotion Organisation (JKTPO)	Jammu

(b) and (c): Yes, the Government of India is currently developing two grand exhibition centres in Delhi. One of them is the state-of-the-art **International Exhibition-cum-Convention Centre (IECC)** which is being developed by ITPO. The Project includes a world-class convention centre, six modern exhibition halls and plenty of underground parking facilities. Exhibition Hall numbering 2, 3, 4 & 5 were inaugurated by the Hon'ble Prime Minister in Oct, 2021. The IECC is also slated to be the venue of G20 Leaders' Summit in September 2023.

Another world class exhibition centre is **India International Convention and Expo Centre (IICC)** in Sector-25, Dwarka, New Delhi.

(d) and (e) : The Market Access Initiative (MAI) scheme of Department of Commerce is in operation since the year 2003. This scheme facilitates creation of an enabling environment and infrastructure for accelerated growth of exports and trade. Activities supported under MAI scheme include organizing, participating in fairs, exhibitions and Buyer Seller Meets abroad.

Besides MAI, ITPO and its subsidiaries/ associated companies regularly organises various trade fairs and exhibitions. Some of the such prominent fairs and exhibitions include:

- India International Trade Fair
- Aahar – the International Food & Hospitality Fair
- India International Leather Fair, Chennai
- India International Footwear Fair
- New Delhi International Book Fair
- East Himalayan Trade Fair, Shillong
