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

STARRED QUESTION NO. 59. TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 06th DECEMBER, 2023.

INDUSTRIALLY BACKWARD DISTRICTS

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

- (a) whether the Government has chalked out a list of industrially backward districts of the country, including those of Jharkhand, in consultation with State Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the schemes being implemented in Jharkhand for further promotion of industrialization since the last three years, district-wise; and
- (d) the details of other initiatives/steps being taken by the Government for strengthening the industrial sector, especially in Jharkhand?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल) THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 59 FOR ANSWER ON 06.12.2023

(a) to (d): Setting up of industry and identifying backward districts is primarily the domain of State Governments. States adopt different policy measures to promote industrial development.

The Government of India supplements the efforts of all State Governments with various measures. Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) implements the schemes and initiatives for overall development of industrial sector such as, Make in India, Start Up India, Gati Shakti, Industrial Corridors, Production Linked Incentive Scheme (PLI), Promoting Ease of Doing Business (EoDB) and reducing compliance burden, National Single Window System (NSWS), One District One Product (ODOP), GIS enabled Land Bank, Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) Policy Reforms, Project Monitoring Group to remove bottlenecks in setting up of major infrastructure projects, the Scheme for Investment Promotion, Industrial Infrastructure Up-gradation Scheme, Footwear, Leather & Accessories Development Programme and Initiative for Promotion of Geographical Indication.

Further, to increase industrial activities, DPIIT coordinates with Ministries/Departments and States/UTs for initiatives to reduce compliance burden on citizen and business activities. The objective of this exercise is to improve Ease of Doing Business and Ease of Living by Simplifying, Rationalizing, Digitizing and Decriminalizing Government to Business and Citizen Interface across all the States/UTs. In order to have a continuous evaluation framework, DPIIT initiated a dynamic reform exercise called Business Reforms Action Plan (BRAP) for assessment of business environment in the States/(UTs).

As part of the ongoing National Industrial Corridor Program, the State of Jharkhand is covered in one of the Industrial Corridors, namely, the Amritsar -Kolkata Industrial Corridor.

Furthermore, the Aspirational Districts Programme (ADP) of NITI Aayog is leading to notable transformation of 112 districts in the country across sectors which are critical for improving quality of life or economic productivity of citizens and these sectors are Health and Nutrition, School Education, Basic Infrastructure, Agriculture and Water Resources and Financial Inclusion & Skill Development. 19 districts of Jharkhand are identified under the ADP. The list of these 19 districts is placed at **Annexure-I**.

The Government of Jharkhand has also launched and implementing the Jharkhand Industrial and Investment Promotion Policy 2021 to promote industrial activity in the state.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 59 FOR ANSWER ON 06.12.2023

List of districts from Jharkhand identified under the Aspiration Districts Programme (ADP)

S. No.	District Name
1.	Bokaro
2.	Chatra
3.	Dumka
4.	Garhwa
5.	Giridih
6.	Godda
7.	Gumla
8.	Hazaribag
9.	Khunti
10.	Latehar
11.	Lohardaga
12.	Pakur
13.	Palamu
14.	Pashchimi Singhbhum
15.	Purbi Singhbhum
16.	Ramgarh
17.	Ranchi
18.	Sahibganj
19.	Simdega
