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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 919. TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 07<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2024.

## LPI RANKING

919. SHRI RANJEETSINGH NAIK NIMBALKAR:

SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:

SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

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

- (a) the present Logistics Performance Index (LPI) ranking of the country;
- (b) whether the Government has prepared any action plan for improving the LPI ranking of the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the new steps taken by the Government to improve logistics efficiency in the country?

## **ANSWER**

## वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सोम प्रकाश) THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI SOM PARKASH)

- (a): According to the World Bank's 'Logistics Performance Index Report (2023): Connecting to Compete 2023', India ranks 38 out of 139 countries. India's rank has improved by six places from 44 in 2018 and sixteen places from 54 in 2014.
- (b) & (c): An Inter-Ministerial dedicated team comprising of Stakeholder Ministries/ Departments has been formed. These stakeholder Ministries/ Departments focus on targeted action plans with interventions needed to improve logistics performance across all six LPI parameters i.e. Customs, Infrastructure, Ease of arranging shipments, Quality of logistics services, Tracking and Tracing, and Timeliness. In addition, National Committee for Trade Facilitation (NCTF) has a three-tiered structure, constituting of a National Committee on Trade Facilitation, a

Steering Committee, and Focused Working Groups (Outreach, Legislative Issues, Time Release Study, Infrastructure Upgradation, PGA regulation and procedure). Concerning NTFAP 2020-23, 27 action points have been identified under the working group on infrastructure upgradation.

(d): The Hon'ble Prime Minister launched the PM GatiShakti National Master Plan for multimodal connectivity on 13 October 2021 and National Logistics Policy on 17<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2022, for improving logistics efficiency and reducing logistics costs. Digital reforms such as Unified Logistics Interface Platform (ULIP) for ease of doing business and Logistics Data Bank which has digitized track and trace of 100% containerized EXIM cargo, are presently operational. In addition, the line Ministries are taking various measures, which include:

- Expansion of electrification of railway tracks by MoR;
- Land Ports Authority of India (LPAI) has reduced the average export and import release time through interventions;
- NLP Marine, which is a single window interface platform for portrelated logistics operations has been launched by MoPSW. In addition, the automation of weighbridges is being undertaken; to name a few key initiatives.

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