

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3828
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11th DECEMBER, 2019

NATIONAL LOGISTICS POLICY

3828. DR. VISHNU PRASAD M.K.:

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

- (a) whether a draft National Logistic Policy for commerce and trade has been prepared by the Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is aimed at reducing the high transaction cost of traders;
- (d) if so, the extent to which it can reduce the cost;
- (e) the manner in which it can be compared with other developed countries; and
- (f) the details of the steps taken/to be taken for the simplification of documentation for export and import digitization of processes in customs and other statutory procedures?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): Yes Sir. The vision of the proposed policy is to drive economic growth and business competitiveness of the country through an integrated, seamless, efficient, reliable, green, sustainable and cost effective logistics network leveraging best in class technology, processes and skilled manpower.

(d) & (e) Though, there is no official estimation of logistics cost for India , some private institutions have estimated the logistics cost to be 13 to 14 percent of the GDP. The proposed policy aims to reduce this to 9 -10 percent of the GDP.

(f): In order to simplify documentation for exports and imports through digitization, Department of Revenue, CBIC have taken several initiatives like (i) SWIFT (Single Window Interface For Trade) (ii) Adoption of Digital Signature (iii) 24x7 Customs Clearance – for ‘facilitated’ Bills of Entry and factory stuffed containers and goods exported under free Shipping Bills at select ports (iv) Import Data Processing and Management System (IDPMS) – jointly launched with RBI to facilitate efficient data processing for payment of imports and effective monitoring (v) E-Sanchit (vi) Two new IT Modules ICEDASH i.e (Ease of doing business monitoring dashboard) and ATITHI app for electronic filing by passengers for baggage (vii) PCS 1X which is a platform for port related processes developed by Indian Ports Association.
