GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 892 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.11.2019

MANUFACTURING OF BAMBOO BOTTLES BY KHADI AND GRAMODYOG COMMISSION

892. SHRIMATI QUEEN OJA: DR. BHARATIBEN DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether bamboo bottles have been made by Khadi and Gramodyog Commission for storing water;
- (b) if so, the cost involved in making plastic bottles and bamboo bottles along with the difference thereof:
- (c) whether the Government has made any action plan to increase the income of commission or has fixed any target in this regard along with present annual income of Khadi and Gramodyog Commission; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI NITIN GADKARI)

- (a): Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) is not directly engaged in the production activities but the Institutions and individual entrepreneurs promoted by KVIC are manufacturing the Bamboo Bottles.
- (b): Bamboo bottles are unique in nature, eco-friendly and bio-degradable products while plastic bottles are not bio-degradable. Hence, no comparison can be made between Plastic bottles and Bamboo bottles. Cost factor of manufacturing of Plastic and Bamboo bottles is not maintained by KVIC.
- (c): As KVIC is not directly engaged in production activities of Bamboo bottles or Plastic bottles, hence no target is fixed in this regard.
- (d): Does not arise.
