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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2771. TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 11TH MARCH, 2020.

IMPACT OF SMUGGLING ON INDIAN ECONOMY

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SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:

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Will the Minister of **COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY** be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) has released its study titled 'Invisible Enemy: Impact of Smuggling on Indian Economy and Employment';
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the smuggling of goods in various industries including textiles, readymade garments, cigarettes, machinery and parts and consumer electronics prevented India from adding over 16 lakh jobs in 2017-18 as per the above study;
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (e) whether 11.35 lakh job opportunities were lost because of backward linkages and multiplier effects as finished products were smuggled into India;
- (f) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (g) the details of the corrective steps being taken by the Government for the identification of such issues and providing remedy in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (g): Yes Sir, the Study is under examination.
