

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

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2539.
TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 10TH MARCH, 2021.**

INDUSTRIALLY BACKWARD AREAS

2539. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

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

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has identified the industrially backward districts/areas in Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any policy for providing favourable conditions and investment system/plan for industrial development in these areas and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether industries have been set up on the basis of local resources in these backward districts/ areas;
- (e) if so, the details of efforts made by the Government for the industrial development of backward districts/areas Gujarat; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(SHRI SOM PARKASH)**

(a) to (c): No sir, the Government of India has not identified any industrially backward district/ areas in Gujarat. This Department has been formulated policy for the development of industry in eight States of North-Eastern Region (NER) and Hilly States of Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand, and Union Territories of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh.

(d) to (f): After the de-licensing and deregulation of the Indian Industry, the decision for establishment of industries is taken by private players on the consideration of market requirements and other factors like utilization of local resources etc. However, this Department has taken several steps for promotion of industry across the country by promoting ease of doing business, investment facilitation for both domestic and foreign investors and creation of modern infrastructure facilities.
