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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3533 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17th MARCH, 2021

EPCs

3533 SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT.

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

- (a) the details and number of Export Promotion Councils (EPCs) that have been created by the Ministry so far?
- (b) the details and the nature of work that has been done by these EPCs during the last five years? and
- (c) whether there has ever been any audit of their performance and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(a) to (c): Export Promotion Councils (EPCs) are organizations of exporters, set up under the Societies Registration Act/ Companies Act, with the objective of promoting Indian exports. The councils are responsible for promotion of a particular group of products/ projects/services as given in Appendix 2T of the Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2015-2020. At present, there are 27 such Councils, as indicated at **Annexure**. Regular joint meetings with the Councils to facilitate interactions with exporters and assess performance of the Councils are held. The accounts of the Councils are subject to mandatory audit. The review reports of performance of the councils are laid in the Parliament along with Annual Report each year.

LIST OF EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCILS (EPCs)

- 1. Apparel Export Promotion Council (AEPC), Gurugram
- 2. Basic Chemicals, Cosmetics & Dyes Export Promotion Council (Chemexcil), Mumbai
- 3. Carpet Export Promotion Council (CEPC), New Delhi
- 4. Cashew Export Promotion Council of India (CEPCI), Kollam, Kerala
- 5. Chemical and Allied Products Export Promotion Council (Capexil), Kolkata
- 6. Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council (Texprocil), Mumbai
- 7. Council for Leather Exports (CLE), Chennai
- 8. EEPC India, Kolkata
- 9. Electronics & Computer Software Export Promotion Council (ESC EPC), New Delhi
- 10. Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts (EPCH), New Delhi
- 11. Export Promotion Council for EoUs and SEZs (EPCES), New Delhi
- 12. Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC), Mumbai
- 13. Handloom Export Promotion Council (HEPC), Chennai
- 14. Indian Oilseeds & Produce Export Promotion Council (IOPEPC), Mumbai
- 15. Indian Silk Export Promotion Council (ISEPC), New Delhi
- 16. Jute Products Development & Export Promotion Council (JPDEPC), Kolkata
- 17. Pharmaceuticals Export Promotion Council (Pharmexcil), Hyderabad
- 18. Plastics Export Promotion Council (Plexconcil), Mumbai
- 19. Powerloom Development & Export Promotion Council (Pdexcil), Mumbai
- 20. Project Export Promotion Council (PEPC), New Delhi
- 21. Services Export Promotion Council (SEPC), New Delhi
- 22. Shellac & Forest Products Export Promotion Council (Shefexil), Kolkata
- 23. Sports Goods Export Promotion Council (SGEPC), New Delhi
- 24. Synthetic & Rayon Textiles Export Promotion Council (SRTEPC), Mumbai
- 25. Telecom Equipment & Services Export Promotion Council (TEPC), New Delhi
- 26. Wool Industry Export Promotion Council (WWEPC), Mumbai
- 27. Wool & Woollens Export Promotion Council (Wooltexpro), New Delhi
