

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 571
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.02.2021

ASSISTANCE TO MSMEs

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

- (a) the status and efficacy of the steps already taken such as loan waivers, moratoriums, etc. to assist MSMEs to recover from Covid-19 pandemic;
- (b) whether the Government is taking steps to assist MSMEs in recovering from the pandemic and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps being taken the Government to make MSMEs go digitally (have website, email, communication apps) as many services and needs have suddenly gone online; and
- (d) the steps /incentive being given for technology transformation for MSME sector?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Post Covid-19, Government has taken a number of initiatives to support the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) Sector in the country and to help them recover. These steps inter-alia include Rs 20,000 crore Subordinate Debt for MSMEs under Credit Guarantee Scheme for Subordinate Debt (CGSSD), Rs. 3 lakh crores collateral free automatic loans for business, including MSMEs under Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS), Rs. 50,000 crore equity infusion in MSMEs through Fund of Funds, revised criteria for classification of MSMEs, new registration of MSMEs through 'Udyam Registration', doing away with global tenders for procurement up to Rs. 200 crores etc. In addition to this, RBI has also announced several measures to Reduce Financial Stress of MSMEs. As on date 34 Banks have registered under CGSSD. As on 25.01.2021, guarantees to the tune of around Rs 2,01,364 crore has been issued under ECLGS.

(c): Government has launched an online Portal "CHAMPIONS" which covers many aspects of e-governance including grievance redressal and handholding of MSMEs. Registration of MSMEs has also been made completely online under 'Udyam Registration'. Ministry of MSME has also launched 'MSME SAMBANDH' portal for monitoring implementation of public procurement policy for the MSEs and 'MSME SAMADHAN' portal for enabling MSMEs to directly register their cases relating to delayed payments.

(d): Ministry of MSME is implementing various schemes and programmes to provide access to technology upgradation. These schemes include Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme and Technology Upgradation Scheme (CLCS-TUS), Micro and Small Enterprise – Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP), MSME Technology Centres (MSME-TCs).
