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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1477 (H) TO BE ANSWERED ON 28thJULY,2021

SUPPLY CHAIN

1477 (H). SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL: SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

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

- (a) whether India is getting several opportunities to increase supply chain in the world or carry out export after corona pandemic;
- (b) if so, the countries with which our commercial relations are likely to see an increase;
- (c) the products which are going to be exported more after this pandemic; and
- (d) whether the exporters of Gujarat are also going to avail this opportunity?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में/

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a) to (d): The Government has taken a number of steps, including strengthening of domestic manufacturing and promoting trade ties, with a number of trading partners, so as to ensure reliable and adequate supply chains. This is an ongoing process, based on the changing requirements in a dynamic world. The existing Trade Agreements also ensure seamless supplies for the domestic manufacturing sector on preferential terms. Further, a review of some of the existing Agreements has been initiated. In addition, bilateral trade negotiations with a number of countries have been initiated. We have entered into a Supply Chain Resilience Initiative (SCRI) with Japan and Australia to enhance the resilience of supply chains in the Indo-Pacific Region.

There has been substantial growth in India's Merchandise exports in April-June 2021 which was USD 95.39 Billion, exhibiting a positive growth of 85.88 per cent over the same period last year and a positive growth of 17.90 per cent over April-June 2019, across commodity groups such as Engineering goods, Petroleum products, Gems & Jewellery, Organic & Inorganic Chemicals, Textile & Garments, Electronic goods, Plastic & Linoleum etc from across the country, including from Gujarat.
