

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1770
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.07.2021

Bicycle Industry

1770. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the Bicycle industry in Ludhiana in the State of Punjab is facing a huge crisis due to a lockdown in other States that has led to blockage of payments worth hundreds of crores as well as piling up of unsold stock with the traders;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is taking measures to help the bicycle industry by providing them with some special packages in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) If not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SHRI NARAYAN RANE)

(a) & (b): COVID-19 pandemic has temporarily affected various sectors including Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises in the country. Economic activity contracted due to the strict lockdown measures imposed by the Government. This contraction had impact on the Bicycle industry of Ludhiana also.

An online Portal “Champions” has been launched on 01.06.2020 by Hon’ble Prime Minister. This covers many aspects of e-governance including grievance redressal and handholding of MSMEs. Through the portal, total 35,983 grievances have been redressed upto 25.07.2021. No such grievance of Bicycle industry has been received on the Portal.

As per Udyog Aadhaar Portal (since inception October 2015 to June 2020), the number of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) registered in All India under National Industrial classification codes 2008, ‘3092’ Manufacture of bicycles and invalid carriages category was 4703.

On 1st July, 2020, after adoption of new definition of MSMEs, a new registration portal ‘Udyam Registration’ has been launched by M/o MSME and so far 2537 MSMEs are registered under NIC 2008 Code (3092) Manufacture of bicycles and invalid carriages category.

(c) & (d): Under Special Financial package, the Ministry of MSME implements various schemes and programmes for growth and development of MSME Sector including Bicycle Industries in the country. These schemes and programmes include Interest Subvention Scheme for Incremental Credit to MSMEs, Credit Guarantee Scheme for Micro and Small Enterprises, Micro and Small Enterprises Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP), Credit Linked Capital Subsidy and Technology Up-gradation Scheme (CLCS-TUS).

Post Covid-19, Government has taken a number of initiatives under Aatma Nirbhar Bharat Abhiyan to support the MSME Sector in the country especially in Covid-19 pandemic. Some of them are:

- i) Rs 20,000 crore Subordinate Debt for MSMEs.
- ii) Rs. 3 lakh crores Collateral free Automatic Loans for business, including MSMEs.
- iii) Rs. 50,000 crore equity infusion through MSME Fund of Funds.
- iv) New revised criteria for classification of MSMEs.
- v) New Registration of MSMEs through 'Udyam Registration' for Ease of Doing Business.
- vi) No global tenders for procurement up to Rs. 200 crores, this will help MSME. the Micro and Small Enterprises –

Under Infrastructure support package, the Ministry of MSME implements Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP) for the development of MSMEs, the following Common Facility Centres (CFCs) have been established in Punjab. These CFCs have facilities for computerized product designing and CNC machining for production of engineering items which can be utilized by Bicycle industry of Punjab.

Common Facility Centre set up MSME Ministry in the State of Punjab				
S. No.	Name of CFC	Year of Completion of CFC	Total project cost (Rs. in lakh)	GoI grant (Rs. in lakh)
1.	CFC in Oil Expeller & Parts Manufacturing Cluster, Ludhiana	December, 2020	1518.68	1335.63
2.	CFC in Hi-Tech Cluster, Mohali	November, 2020	1407.69	1099.39

Tool Room, Ludhiana has facilitated Bicycle Industries of Ludhiana during Covid-19 period by providing Tool Room services as mentioned below

- a) Design validation of bicycle mud guard design through 3D printing
- b) Machining of tools for chain wheels
- c) Design and Development of press tool for c- clamp of bicycle saddle
- d) Heat treatment of Dies of B Cup, Aluminium Cycle frame, Gear hub spring, Dies of Cycle Fork, Die/Punch of Free Wheel.
- e) Raw Material testing
- f) Placement assistance through trainees.

(e): Not applicable.
