GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 510 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.07.2021

MSME Adversely Affected during Covid

510. SHRI LALLU SINGH:

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

- (a) whether the startups, small and medium industries are adversely affected by the second wave of corona in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether many startups as well as small industries have closed down or they are at the verge of closing down;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has formulated a scheme for providing assistance to these industries; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a)to(e): The second wave of corona has affected the economy, including startups, small and medium industries. For providing assistance to these industries the Government has taken several initiatives. Some of these are as under:

- 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 Self-Reliant India Fund
- iv. New Revised criteria of 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.

An Online Portal "Champions" has been launched on 01.06.2020 by Hon'ble Prime Minister. This covers many aspects of e-governance including redressal of grievances and handholding of MSMEs.

RBI has also announced several measures to Reduce Financial Stress of MSMEs