GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 824 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.12.2021

SUPPORT TO MSME SECTOR

824. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

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

- (a) whether the World Bank has sanctioned \$500 million programme to support and revitalize the MSME sector of the country;
- (b) if so, the detail of investment and State-wise approval towards the Programme of MSME competitiveness a post-covid resilience and recovery programme (MCRRP) therefor;
- (c) whether out of the 58 million MSMES in india, more than 40 percent are lacking access of finance; and
- (d) if so, the detail of support to MSME and their rehabilitation programme plan under Raising and Accelerating Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) Performance (RAMP) programme?

ANSWER

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

- (a): The World Bank has communicated to the Ministry of MSME that, in its Board meeting dated 4th June 2021, it has approved a loan of US \$500 million (₹ 3750Cr) to assist Government of India's programme "Raising and Accelerating MSME Performance (RAMP)", which is an initiative to revitalize the MSME sector that has been heavily impacted by the COVID -19 pandemic.
- (b): RAMP is a part of the MSME Competitiveness A Post COVID Resilience and Recovery Programme (MCRRP). State-wise investments and approvals for RAMP programme have not been made since Cabinet approval for RAMP is awaited.
- (c): As per the World Bank Programme Appraisal Document for the RAMP programme, over 40 percent of MSMEs lack access to formal sources of finance.
- (d): The proposed programme (RAMP) supports various interventions in COVID Resilience and Recovery initiatives of the Government. The program aims at improving market access, access to credit, strengthening Institutions and governance at the Central and State level. The programme will support the ongoing support programmes of the Government, focusing on competitive aspect of MSMEs.
