

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
DEPARTMENT FOR PROMOTION OF INDUSTRY AND INTERNAL TRADE
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2908.
TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 3RD AUGUST, 2022.**

INDUSTRIALLY BACKWARD DISTRICTS OF HARYANA

2908. SHRI NAYAB SINGH:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY** be pleased to state:

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government plans to expand the list of industrially backward districts of the country including those of Haryana in consultation with State Governments;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the schemes being implemented in Haryana for promotion of industrialisation through DPIIT since the last three years, district-wise;
- (d) whether the Government considers to start the 'One District One Product' scheme in each district of the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of other initiatives/steps being taken by the Government for strengthening the industrial sector in the country, especially in Haryana?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सोम प्रकाश)

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(SHRI SOM PARKASH)**

- (a) & (b):** There is no such proposal as the State Governments decide the Industrially Backward Districts in their own States.
- (c) & (e):** Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) is not having any specific scheme, only meant for the backward districts of the country. DPIIT implements several schemes/initiatives for promotion of industries such as Startup India, Ease of Doing Business, Modified Industrial Infrastructure Upgradation Scheme, Industrialization in North Eastern Region, Make in India in Public Procurement, etc. Some of the schemes/initiatives of the Department are specific to States of North Eastern Region and Hilly States such as Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand.

(d): One-district-One-Product (ODOP) is an initiative which is seen as a transformational step towards realizing the true potential of a district, fueling its economic growth, generating employment and rural entrepreneurship, taking us to the goal of Atmanirbhar Bharat. ODOP initiative is operationally merged with 'Districts as Export Hub (DEH) initiative under DGFT, Department of Commerce, with DPIIT as a major stakeholder.

Department of Commerce through DGFT is engaging with State and Central Government agencies to promote the initiative of ODOP. The objective is to convert each district of the country into an export hub by identifying products with the export potential in the district, addressing bottlenecks for exporting these products, supporting local exporters/manufacturers to scale up manufacturing, and find potential buyers outside India with the aim of promoting exports, promoting manufacturing & services in the district and generate employment in the district.

To increase exports and take export promotion to the district level, Department of Commerce through DGFT is engaging with State/UT Governments to implement the said initiatives in all districts of the country in a phased manner, with the objective of mobilizing the potential of each district of the country to achieve its potential as an export hub. District Export Promotion Committee (DEPC) is constituted in almost all the district of India to provide support for export promotion activities and address and reduce the bottlenecks for attaining export growth in these districts.
