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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 579 (H) TO BE ANSWERED ON 20th JULY, 2022

EXPORT OF GEMS AND JEWELLERY

579(H). SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA: SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN VAJESINGBHAI: SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

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

- (a) the present status of export of gems and jewellery in India;
- (b) whether any increase has been reported in the export as compared to the previous year, and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Ministry to promote and to increase the business of the industries of Gujarat related to the said industry?

ANSWER

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

- (a) to (b): Export of gems and jewellery increased by 50.25 % to US\$ 39.10 billion in FY 2021-22 as compared to US\$ 26.02 billion in the FY 2020-21. During FY 2022-23 (April-June 2022), it has recorded a rise of 9.75% to US\$ 10.07 billion (Provisional) as against US\$ 9.17 billion during corresponding period in 2021-22.
- (c) : The Government has taken several measures through Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) and otherwise to promote India's gems and jewellery exports, such as rationalization of Customs Duty on cut & polished diamonds and precious/semi-precious, sawn diamonds and imitation jewellery; notification of simplified regulatory framework for e-commerce exports of jewellery through courier mode; rationalization of GST on cut & polished diamonds to address issue of unutilized input tax credit. Further, the Government provides financial assistance for participation in international fairs, organizing buyer-seller meets and creation of export related infrastructure under various schemes of the Department of Commerce to boost exports. Department of Commerce implemented a scheme during 2015-2021 to set up Common Facility Centres (CFC) in manufacturing clusters of gems and jewellery sector for providing access to common pool of high end and capital intensive state-of-the-art machinery/equipment to individual small and medium manufacturer. Three such CFCs are functioning in the State of Gujarat at Palanpur, Junagarh and Rajkot.
