GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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IMPACT OF CHINA'S MAGNET EXPORT CURBS ON INDIAN INDUSTRIES

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

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the potential impact of China's export restrictions on rare earth magnets and related materials on Indian industries, particularly on electric vehicle manufacturers;
- (b) whether the Government is coordinating with relevant stakeholders to mitigate any possible supply chain disruptions arising from these export curbs;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to diversify the sources of rare earth magnets for Indian manufacturers to reduce dependence on Chinese suppliers; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the details of any ongoing or planned initiatives to ensure the continued supply of these critical components to Indian industries, including possible trade agreements or partnerships?

ANSWER

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- (a) & (b): The recent imposition of export restrictions on key rare earth magnets by China has resulted in a supply chain bottleneck, impacting the Indian industries including electric vehicle manufacturers. Consultations have been held regularly with relevant stakeholders to explore measures to address the issue.
- (c) & (d): Ministry of Mines has been working to ensure supply chain resilience for critical minerals including Rare Earth Elements, which are used in producing Rare Earth Magnets, as they are key materials for different sectors including electric vehicles. In the interest of developing bilateral cooperation with countries having rich mineral resources, the Ministry

of Mines has already entered into bilateral agreements with Governments of a number of countries such as Australia, Argentina, Zambia, Peru, Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Malawi, Cote D'Ivoire and International organizations such as International Energy Agency (IEA).

Further, Khanij Bidesh India Limited (KABIL), a Joint Venture Company set up with the objective to identify and acquire overseas mineral assets that hold critical and strategic significance, is engaged in this area by developing collaboration with various organisations based in different countries.
