

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5109
ANSWERED ON 24/03/2026

DISTRICT EXPORT HUBS

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SHRI G M HARISH BALAYOGI:
SMT. ANITA NAGARSINGH CHOUHAN:
SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:
SHRI BHOJRAJ NAG:
SMT. SMITA UDAY WAGH:
MS KANGNA RANAUT:
SHRI VISHWESHWAR HEGDE KAGERI:
SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH CHOUDHARY:
SMT. SHOBHANABEN MAHENDRASINH BARAIYA:
SHRI GOPAL JEE THAKUR:
DR. K SUDHAKAR:
SHRI ALOK SHARMA:

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

- (a) the number of District Export Action Plans (DEAP) finalised and approved in the country, year, district and State/UT-wise particularly in Sabarkantha and Aravalli districts of Sabarkantha Lok Sabha Constituency, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh and districts Jalgaon, Palnadu, Konaseema;
- (b) whether the data relating to exports at the district level is made publicly available through any digital portal or official platform;
- (c) if so, the details thereof including key product categories and export potential identified, district and State/UT-wise particularly of Madhya Pradesh and Jharkhand;
- (d) The details increase in the value of exports from the identified district export hubs as compared to the prescribed base year with comparatively data including growth trend, year, district, State and UT-wise including Madhya Pradesh and Konaseema district of Andhra Pradesh;
- (e) whether common testing and quality certification and required infrastructure for export promotion have been set up at the district level for the stakeholders under the District Export Action Plan;
- (f) if so, the details thereof and facilities created, State and district-wise including Maharashtra and Konaseema and Palnadu district of Andhra Pradesh, Chikkaballapur district of Karnataka and stipes taken to support MSMEs and farmer-producer organisations engaged in exports; and
- (g) whether the Government proposes to make special provisions or develop export centres to promote the export of agriculture, handicrafts, small scale

and forest-based products in the Ratlam, Jhabua and Alirajpur Lok Sabha Constituency of Madhya Pradesh and if so, the details thereof, State and district-wise?

ANSWER

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**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)**

(a) to (g) Under the Districts as Export Hubs (DEH) initiative, institutional mechanisms in the form of State Export Promotion Committees (SEPC) and District Export Promotion Committees (DEPC) have been constituted in all 36 States/UTs. Draft District Export Action Plans (DEAPs) have been prepared for 590 districts, of which 249 have been formally notified by the respective DEPCs. Specific products with export potential identified for the requested districts/states include:

- Sabarkantha (Gujarat): Ceramic & Tiles, Potato.
- Aravalli (Gujarat): Minerals, Agro-processing, Glass and Tiles.
- Jalgaon (Maharashtra): Jalgaon Banana, Jalgaon Bharit Brinjal.
- Madhya Pradesh: Products identified across all 52 districts, such as onions and Pharma in Indore, and Oranges in Agar Malwa.
- Chhattisgarh: Products identified across districts include Rice, Maize, and Mango in Raipur, and Bastar Iron Craft in Bastar.
- Jharkhand: Products identified across districts include Bamboo Craft, Forest Produce, and Vegetables.

The data relating to exports is made publicly available through the following portals/platforms: <https://niryat.gov.in> and <https://www.dgciskol.gov.in>

The DEH initiative has identified products and services with export potential in all districts across the country, including GI products, agricultural clusters, and toy clusters. The list of such identified products/services is available at <https://content.dgft.gov.in/Website/dgftprod/a667478a-d204-4d95-a71c-a58452e1c6d9/Note%20-%20Districts%20as%20Export%20Hubs%20Initiative.pdf>.

Institutional mechanisms in the form of State Export Promotion Committees (SEPCs) at the State/UT level and District Export Promotion Committees (DEPCs) at the district level have been constituted to facilitate export promotion and address bottlenecks affecting export growth. Other steps include organising Outreach Events across various regions to build awareness and address exporters' concerns.

The District as Exports Hub initiative is supporting local exporters/manufacturers to scale and find potential buyers outside India, with the aim of promoting exports, manufacturing, and the services industry in the district.

This is intended to raise awareness and commitment to exports at the district level,

build capacity to create new exporters, and identify new markets for the focused products and services.

This empowers MSMEs, farmers and small-scale industries to benefit from export opportunities in the overseas markets.

This decentralised and focused approach shifts the focus to district-led export growth for self-sufficiency and self-reliance by providing a global platform for products and services from the districts.
