

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY  
DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL POLICY & PROMOTION**

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 230.  
TO BE ANSWERED ON MONDAY, THE 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2015.**

**PROMOTION OF INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY**

**230. SHRI C.S. PUTTA RAJU:**

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

**वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री**

- (a) the details of the steps taken by the Government during the last three years for promotion of industrial activity in the country to make India a manufacturing hub in various sectors like automobiles, textiles, pharmaceuticals, food processing, etc.;
- (b) the sectors which were identified for the purpose and the number of new cities to be developed as investment centres; and
- (c) the details of the changes contemplated in the existing schemes under the new 'Make in India' programme launched by the Government?

**ANSWER**

**वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्यमंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)(श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)  
THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY  
(SHRIMATI NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)**

- (a) & (b):** A National Manufacturing Policy (NMP) was notified on 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2011 to enhance the share of manufacturing in GDP to 25% and creating 100 million jobs over a decade or so. The Policy identifies employment intensive industries like textiles and garments; leather and footwear; gems and jewelry and food processing etc. National Investment and Manufacturing Zones (NIMZs) have been conceived as large integrated industrial townships with state-of-the-art infrastructure; land use on the basis of zoning; clean and energy efficient technology; necessary social infrastructure; skill development facilities, etc. to provide a conducive environment for manufacturing industries. Government has granted 'in-principle' approval to 12 NIMZs outside the DMIC region. These are (i) Nagpur in Maharashtra (ii) Prakasam in Andhra Pradesh (iii) Chittoor in Andhra Pradesh (iv) Medak in Telangana (v) Tumkur in Karnataka (vi) Kolar in Karnataka (vii) Bidar in Karnataka (viii) Gulbarga in Karnataka (ix) Kalinganagar, Jaipur District in Odisha (x) Ramanathapuram District of Tamil Nadu (xi) Auriya District in Uttar Pradesh and (xii) Jhansi District in Uttar Pradesh. The Government has also launched the 'Make in India' initiative, which aims at promoting India as an important investment destination and a global hub for manufacturing, design and innovation. The initiative is aimed at creating a conducive environment for investment, modern and efficient infrastructure, opening up new sectors for foreign investments and forging a partnership between government and industry through a positive mindset. With the objective of facilitating investors, a full-fledged "Investment Facilitation Cell" has been set-up under Invest India for the Make in India initiative, which primarily supports all investment queries apart from hand holding and liaisoning with various agencies on behalf of potential investors. More than 14000 queries have been received so far.
- (c):** 'Make in India' is neither a programme nor a scheme. It is an initiative to boost manufacturing, design and innovation by creating a conducive business environment. It does not have any financial incentive or tax breaks for investors. However, investors may avail benefit of incentive schemes of various line Ministries.