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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2326. TO BE ANSWERED ON MONDAY, THE 14TH DECEMBER, 2015.

SHIFTING OF OFFICE

2326. SHRI D.S. RATHOD:

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

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) whether representations have been received to shift the Office of the Salt Commissioner from Jaipur to Gandhinagar or any other place in Saurashtra-Kutch region of Gujarat; and
- (b) if so, the time by which the said office is proposed to be shifted from Jaipur to any other place in Gujarat?

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): Yes, representations have been received to shift the office of the Salt Commissioner to some other places in Gujarat like Gandhinagar, Ahmedabad and Bhavnagar.
- (b): The issue of shifting of the headquarter of Salt Commissioner from Jaipur, Rajasthan to Gujarat was considered by the Government in the year 1994 which went into litigation in a civil Writ Petition No. 6337/94 filed in the High Court of Rajasthan, Jaipur Bench. Based on the order of the Court on 4th October, 2007, the Government gave hearing to all stakeholders and it was finally decided not to shift headquarter of Salt Commissioner out of Jaipur. Currently there is no proposal to shift this office from Jaipur to any other place in Gujarat.
