

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2472
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.12.2015**

RAW MATERIAL OF MSME SECTOR

2472. SHRI K.N. RAMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any scheme for distribution of raw materials for the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) sector;**
- (b) if so, the details including the number of MSMEs units benefited under this scheme; and**
- (c) the other steps taken by the Government in this regard ?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF
MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH)**

(a)&(b): Yes, Madam. The National Small Industries Corporation Limited (NSIC), a public sector undertaking under the administrative control of the Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises sells raw materials to MSMEs at competitive rates with good quality to enhance their competitive capacity. The raw materials which are sold to MSMEs include iron, steel, paraffin wax, coal, polymer products, copper, zinc, pipes, tubes, etc. During the financial year 2014-15 and 2015-16 (upto October 2015), NSIC facilitated 6540 units and 7129 units respectively by selling them raw materials.

(c): To promote and develop the MSME sector, the Government in the Ministry of MSME is implementing various schemes/programmes in the areas of credit, infrastructure development, technology upgradation, marketing assistance, enhancing competitiveness, entrepreneurial and skill development, etc. These schemes include Credit Guarantee Scheme, Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme, Performance and Credit Rating Scheme, Cluster Development Programmes, Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Assistance to Training Institution, National Manufacturing Competitiveness Programme(NMCP) and Marketing Development Assistance Scheme etc.