

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION No.*3
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.04.2016

MSME SECTOR

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

- (a) the number of persons currently employed in the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) both in the registered and unregistered entities separately;
- (b) whether the Government has undertaken any measures to increase the registration of MSMEs in the country and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the measures taken / being taken by the Government to improve quality and make MSMEs products compete with imported products particularly those from China ; and
- (d) whether the Government has undertaken/plans to undertake measures to expand the potential of MSMEs in the untapped sectors, if so, the details and the results thereof?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA
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(a): The Government monitors the employment in the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector in the country by periodically conducting All India Census of the sector. The last (Fourth) Census data was collected with reference to base year 2006-07. The results were published in 2011-12. As this data did not contain information on wholesale/retail trade, legal, educational and social services, hotel & restaurants, transports and storage & warehousing (except cold storage), this has been extracted from Economic Census 2005. The combined data puts the total employment in MSMEs at 805.24 lakh. The employment in Registered Sector is 93.09 lakh and Unregistered Sector is 712.15 lakh.

(b): Vide Notification No. 2576 dated 18 September, 2015, the Ministry has simplified the procedure for registration of MSMEs. Now the registration is web-based online filing of single page information based on self certification.

(c) & (d): The Government is making MSMEs competitive through various programmes. The flagship programme among these is National Manufacturing Competitiveness Programme. The Government also promotes Micro & Small Enterprises by reserving a part of its own procurement through such enterprises. The Government has also launched Standup India, Startup India, Make in India and Skill India programmes which promote MSMEs and manufacturing in India.
