

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has formulated a proposal for taking a policy decision to allow units of special economic zones set up in the country to export pulses;

(b) if so, the facts in this regard and the reasons behind consideration of sanctioning of export of pulses from these units; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that there is a gap of more than 20 lakh tonnes in demand and supply of pulses during each year from 2007-08 to 2009-10?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) Two proposals regarding export of pulses from SEZs were considered by the Board of Approval (BOA) in its meeting held on 9th April 2010. BOA decided as under:

"The Board noted that these are very sensitive products and there is requirement of clear policy for import and export of these products. Pending the availability of such policy, the Board decided to defer the requests for import, processing, trading and export of pulses."

#### **Impact of Dubai debt crisis on Indian exports**

4307. SHRI PRABHAT JHA:

SHRI BALAVANT ALIAS BAL APTE:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an apprehension of negative impact of the Dubai debt crises on Indian export and economy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps Government is going to take to save Indian export and economy from the impact of Dubai debt crisis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (d) No, Sir, there is no noticeable negative impact of the Dubai debt crisis on Indian export and economy. Dubai World, the flagship holding economy of the Dubai Government with active participation in some large real estate projects, sought a debt restructuring and six-month standstill in its debt repayment (estimated in US\$ 59 billion as of August 2009) on November 25, 2009. Although there was initial reaction in the domestic foreign currency and Indian stock markets, the impact was insignificant and short-lived. The primary capital market remained unaffected and there was no visible effect of the Dubai news on the money and government

securities markets. Subsequent developments indicate that the impact of the Dubai crisis on financial markets around the world has been contained, following the announcement by the UAE central bank that it would stand behind UAE banks and branches of foreign banks operating in the UAE. Further, the Government of Abu Dhabi and the UAE central bank agreed to provide financial support to Dubai World. The Government of Abu Dhabi has agreed to grant US\$10 billion to Dubai Financial Support Fund for meeting a series of upcoming obligations of Dubai World including sukuk (Islamic bond) obligations of US\$4.1 billion, which fell due on December 14, 2009. These assurances of trade creditors and contractors have provided confidence to the financial markets.

#### **Big and medium industries in Rajasthan**

†4308. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:

DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA:

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

- (a) the number of big and medium industries and the places where they have been set up in Rajasthan during last five years;
- (b) the number of skilled and unskilled labourers provided with employment by these industries;
- (c) the details of industries faced reduction in production in the wake of global recession;
- (d) the number of micro, small and medium industries faced closure; and
- (e) the number of labourers left unemployed due to this and the number of labourers facing recession?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) On the basis of the Industrial Entrepreneur Memoranda filed for the delicensed sectors and Letters of Intent and Direct Industrial Licences issued for the licensable sector, since January 2005 to December 2009, 628 investment intentions with proposed employment for 1,33,889 persons were made. As per the information provided by the Ministry of MSME after the enactment of the MSME Act 2006, 22 medium enterprises have filed Entrepreneurs' Memorandum with the Director of Industries, Rajasthan. The major locations proposed are Alwar, Bhilwara, Jaipur, Chittorgarh, Jodhpur, Pali, Udaipur, etc.

(d) and (e) As per the Fourth All India Census of MSMEs with reference to the year 2006-2007, as on 31.3.2007, 15,950 enterprises were recorded as closed in the state of Rajasthan.

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.