

1	2	3	4
Footwear/Leather	7	5	2
Food Processing	5	4	1
FTWZ	10	4	0
Gems and Jewellery	12	5	4
Handicrafts	4	2	2
IT/ITES/Electronic Hardware/Semiconductor	349	221	69
Metal/Stain. Steel/Alum/ Foundary	10	5	1
Metallurgical Engineering	1	0	0
Multi-Product	22	15	14
Multi-Services/Services	17	8	0
Non-Conventional Energy	5	4	1
Petrochemicals & petro.	4	2	0
Pharma/chemicals	23	20	5
Port-based multi-product	7	2	1
Power/alternate energy/solar	4	1	0
Textiles/Apparel/Wool	19	12	5
Writing and printing paper mills	2	1	0
Granite processing Industries and other allied machinery/ manufacturing	1	1	0
GRAND TOTAL	576	358	114

Slow down in industrial growth

1044. MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the industrial growth has slowed down recently; and
- (b) if so, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) The industrial sector measured in terms of the Index of Industrial Production (IIP) released by Central Statistical Organisation registered a growth of 11.5 per cent in May, 2010 as compared to a growth of 2.1 per cent in May 2009. The Growth of IIP during April-May 2010 was 14.0 per cent compared to a growth of 1.6 per cent during April-May, 2009.

Opposition to foreign capital investment in retail sector

†1045. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that organizations of small shopkeepers have opposed Government proposal for allowing foreign capital investment in country's retail market;
- (b) if so, whether Government has taken any initiative to hold consultation with the traders; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the demands of small traders?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) The Government is aiming to enhance the operational efficiency of back-end infrastructure in the retail sector, reduce wastage in the agricultural sector, enhance benefit to producers, integrate the retailer in the value chain and benefit consumers through greater competition. Towards this end, the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion has released a Discussion Paper on the subject of 'Foreign Direct Investment in Multi-Brand Retail Trading', with the aim of generating informed discussion on the subject and obtaining the views and comments of various stakeholders. The impact on small traders, the possible strategy to protect the interest of small traders in the unorganized sector and the likely impact on the capacity building of storage of food grains, fruits and vegetables etc. have also been examined in the

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.