

recommendation of the Advisory Committee on reservation constituted under the provisions of the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951, Govt. of India, *vide* notification no. S.O. 998 (E) dated 10.04.2015, has dereserved the remaining 20 items from the erstwhile list of items reserved for exclusive manufacture in SSI (now-Micro and Small Enterprise) sector. Therefore, as on date, there is no item reserved for exclusive manufacture in SSI (now-MSE) sector.

**Products de-reserved for MSMEs**

1303. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether 20 products meant for the Micro and Small Enterprises such as pickles, mustard oil, bread and wooden furniture were de-reserved by Government and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the logic behind this decision and further details or the manner in which it is likely to affect the MSME sector; and

(c) the details on the resistance from stakeholders against this move?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH): (a) Yes Sir. On the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on reservation constituted under the provisions of the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951, Govt. of India, *vide* notification no. S.O. 998 (E) dated 10.04.2015, has dereserved the remaining 20 items from the erstwhile list of items reserved for exclusive manufacture in SSI (now-Micro and Small Enterprise) sector.

(b) Review of the list of items reserved for small scale (now-Micro and Small Enterprise) sector is a continuous process. The Advisory Committee considers de-reservation of items to achieve economies of scale, technological upgradation, competitiveness and to counter cheap imports.

(c) No instance of resistance has been reported from any stakeholder.

**Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises in Bihar**

†1304. SHRIMATI KAHKASHAN PERWEEN: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises set up during past years, the details thereof; and

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