(b) if so, the comparative statement of the last three years with regard to the amount contained in IEMs for each year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI NIRMALA SITHARAMAN): (a) The total number of IEM application decreased from 2365 in the year 2013 to 1801 in the year 2014. However, the number of IEM applications filed in the year 2015 increased to 1909.

(b) A Statement indicating number of lEMs filed and investment reported in the last three years is given in the Statement.

Statement

Number of IEMs Filed and Investment Reported during the last three years

Year	No. of IEMs Filled	Investment Reported (Investment in ₹ crore)
2013	2365	529828
2014	1801	404339
2015	1909	307357

## Export of fish by MPEDA

- 293. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government is aware of India's potential of export of a number of excellent varieties of fish including seabass, tilappa and mud crab, which are delicious and have huge acceptance in foreign countries;
- (b) if so, the reasons for which Marine Product Export Development Authority (MPEDA) is more concerned for export of shrimps only;
- (c) the details of various varieties of fish exported by MPEDA during the last three years; and
- (d) the fresh steps taken by Government for export of all varieties of fish and the sea products?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI NIRMALA SITHARAMAN): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Shrimp is more preferred commodity in all the international markets and fetches a better margin compared to other fin fish or shell fish varieties. The priority given to

shrimp exports is mostly market driven as farmed shrimp contributes more than 60% of our export revenue. The Seafood exports mainly depend on aquaculture since the catch from seas is coming down every year. Considering the higher margin, the aquaculture farmers also prefer the shrimp cultivation. However, Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Aquaculture (R&D wing of MPEDA) and other ICAR institutes over the last few years have developed the technology for breeding and farming of varieties of fin fish and shellfish. These technologies have been standardized and transferred to farmers and entrepreneurs for adoption. Already production of some of these species has started in aquaculture farms. In the years to come, with increasing hatcheries and farming units engaged in production of these species, sufficient production for exports will be generated.

- (c) The details of various varieties of fish exported by MPEDA during last 3 years are given in the Statement (See below).
- (d) Under the 12th Five Year Plan, MPEDA is operating various financial assistance schemes for undertaking various activities in order to promote production and export of marine products including shrimps, crabs, seabass, tilapia and other variety of fishes. For generating additional raw material of new species offish and shellfish for export purpose, MPEDA has been organizing extension programmes and awareness campaigns, training and demonstration programs for the benefit of fishermen, aquaculture farmers, fish technologist, exporters etc.

Statement

Details of various varieties of fish exported by MPEDA during the last three years

Top 10 varieties of chilled fish exported

SI 1	No. Item Name	2013-14		2014-15		2015-16	
	_	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
		Tons	₹ crore	Tons	₹ crore	Tons	₹ crore
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Chilled Reef Cod	1053	40.41	1139	45.07	1412	64.46
2.	Chilled Seer	969	44.12	679	29.48	1892	86.95
	Fish/King Fish						
3.	Chilled Grouper	447	19.82	544	23.53	934	35.49
4.	Chilled Yellow Fin	0	0	120	7.35	231	15.68
	Tuna Fillet						
5.	Chilled Pomfret	148	16.92	72	6.2	155	14.83
	(Chinese)						

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
6.	Chilled Pomfret	230	18.71	213	15.25	195	12
7.	Chilled Sword	0	0	86	3.44	191	8.41
	Fish Loins						
8.	Chilled Rohu (FW)	50	0.82	209	3.97	425	7.2
9.	Chilled Snapper (Red	) 214	13.45	235	12.12	154	6.7
10.	Chilled Emperor	26	0.55	42	1.28	173	6.62
	Other Chilled Items	13380	237.27	22674	255.95	20164	237.92
	Total	16517	392.08	26015	403.65	25926	496.26

Top 10 Varieties of Frozen Fish

Sl. N	No. Item Name	2013-14		2014-15		2015-16	
		Qty Tons	Value ₹ crore	Qty Tons	Value ₹ crore	Qty Tons	Value ₹ crore
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Fr. Ribbon	108323	1476.43	92589	1158.04	63797	911.66
	Fish/Whole						
2.	Fr. Mackerel	10605	112.89	17851	179.8	25382	296.58
3.	Fr. Pomfret (Silver)	4142	341.45	5409	426.31	2922	254.05
4.	Fr. Leather Jacket /	3597	73.77	3199	50.04	8617	225.27
	Leather Skin						
5.	Fr Ribbonfish	35592	495.86	26414	334.27	14267	207.44
	Whole						
6.	Fr Mackerel Whole	7278	86.16	10530	109.4	13855	165.9
7.	Fr. Croaker (Yellow)	14642	119.17	23274	169.67	15030	141.43
8.	Fr. Croaker (Silver)	8287	78.3	16880	144.89	9931	116.47
9.	Fr. Croaker Others	17025	166.49	10054	91.84	6794	100.82
10.	Fr. Sole Fish	11719	112.53	7752	67.74	7029	86.44
11.	Other Fr. Fishes	103148	1231.75	95481	1046.52	61126	956.19
	Total	324359	4294.81	309434	3778.5	228749	3462.25

## Approval for setting up of IT/ITES SEZs

294. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has approved the proposal for setting up of IT/ITeS Special Economic Zones in many parts of the country;