

Government has also notified certain trade measures like Anti-Dumping and Safeguard Duty on 107 tariff lines including HR Coils/HR Plates and CR Products.

Restriction on construction activities near protected monuments

*85. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that restriction on construction/reconstruction within 100 metres of the protected monuments as per the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains (AMASR) (Amendment Validation) Act, 2010 is a stumbling block in development activities;

(b) whether any exercise has been undertaken to find out the problems being faced by the people and Government agencies because of this provision, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of Government to ease restrictions without sacrificing the interest of monuments by amending relevant provisions of the Act?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE (DR. MAHESH SHARMA): (a) Amendment to Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958 has been enacted in 2010 for protection and regulations and management of archaeological heritage for posterity. As per the Act new constructions are not allowed in 'Prohibited Area' *i.e.* 100 metres zone from centrally protected monument, however, as per the provisions of the Act, maintenance and cleansing and construction of drains and drainage works and of public latrines, urinals and similar conveniences, or, the construction and maintenance of works meant for providing supply of water for public, or, the construction or maintenance, extension, management for supply and distribution of electricity to the public or provision for similar facilities for public, are permitted.

(b) No, Sir. Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Anti-infiltration mechanisms on Indian borders

*86. SHRI PARTAP SINGH BAJWA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to install modern anti-infiltration mechanisms on Indian borders to prevent terrorist infiltrations;