

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
DEPARTMENT FOR PROMOTION OF INDUSTRY AND INTERNAL TRADE
RAJYA SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1504.
TO BE ANSWERED ON FRIDAY, THE 10TH DECEMBER, 2021.**

ASSISTANCE FOR TIMBER INDUSTRY

1504. SHRI NARESH BANSAL:

Will the Minister of **Commerce and Industry** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any assistance and guidance is being provided separately for setting up timber industry in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether there is any plan to expand the timber industry of Uttarakhand, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(SHRI SOM PARKASH)**

(a) to (c):

1. Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade under the Ministry of Commerce & Industry is implementing following schemes, where assistance for timber industry is also provided:
 - i. North East Industrial Development Scheme (NEIDS), 2017- This Scheme offers incentives to new industrial units established in North-East States, which also includes timber industry.
 - ii. Industrial Development Scheme (IDS), 2017 – This Scheme offers incentives to units located anywhere in Himalayan States, including Uttarakhand in manufacturing sector including the timber industry.
2. For providing assistance to timber industry, Indian Plywood Industries Research & Training Institute (IPIRTI), an autonomous body of the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Bengaluru provides technical assistance and guidance in consultancy/sponsored project mode for setting up plywood, particle board and Medium Density Fiber (MDF) board manufacturing industries based on plantation grown timbers.
