GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3621 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.04.2022

ATMANIRBHAR IN MSMEs SECTOR

3621. SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH TOMAR: SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV: LT. GEN.(DR.) D.P. VATS (RETD.) :

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has formulated any scheme in the name of Atma Nirbhar to promote Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs);
- (b) if so, the criteria followed for the same along with the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has made or proposes to make any assessment for the development of Small Scale Industries (SSI) in the country;
- (d) whether Government proposes to give new technologies to SSI so that SSI may play an important role in economic growth of the country; and
- (e) if so, the concrete steps likely to be taken by Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VERMA)

- (a) & (b): The Government has taken a number of initiatives under the Aatma Nirbhar Bharat Abhiyan to mitigate the negative impact of Covid-19 on small businesses, including MSMEs, in the country. Some of them are:
 - i. Rs. 20,000 crore Subordinate Debt for stressed MSMEs.
 - ii. Rs.3 lakh crores Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS) for Businesses, including MSMEs (which has subsequently been increased to Rs. 5 lakh crore, as announced in Budget 2022-23).
 - iii. Rs. 50,000 crore equity infusion through Self Reliant India Fund.
 - iv. New revised criteria of classification of MSMEs.
 - v. New registration of MSMEs through 'Udyam Registration' for Ease of Doing Business.
 - vi. No global tenders for procurement up to Rs. 200 crores.
- (c): Promotion and development of MSMEs is a continuous process. The Government of India, interacts regularly with Stakeholders, Industry Associations, Individual Enterprises, State Government through Seminars, Video Conferencing, Meeting etc., to assess the problems and challenges faced by the MSMEs. The Ministry of MSME implements various schemes and programmes for the promotion and development of MSMEs. These schemes and programmes inter alia include Prime Minister's Employment Generation programme (PMEGP), Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI), A Scheme for Promoting Innovation, Rural Industry & Entrepreneurship (ASPIRE), Credit Guarantee Scheme for Micro and Small Enterprises, Micro and Small Enterprises Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP), etc.
- (d) & (e): The Ministry of MSME, in order to help the MSMEs to grow technologically and to enhance their competitiveness, has established new Technology Centres (TCs) and Extension Centres (ECs) across the Country. These TCs/ECs provide various services like technology support, skilling, incubation and consultancy to MSMEs and skill seekers, leading to enhancement in employability of the skill seekers, competitiveness of MSMEs and creation of new MSMEs in the country. In addition to it, the Government of India, through its 18 technology centres, conducts various skill development training programmes based on the provision of well structured modular, hands on practically oriented, training for the educated youth and technicians of industries. All courses are regularly updated to keep abreast with global technological advancements. Accordingly, 76 courses are compliant with National Skill Qualification Frame work (NSQF), Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship.
