## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 561 ANSWERED ON TUESDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2023

## Closure of foreign companies/subsidiaries

561# Smt. Ranjeet Ranjan:

Will the Minister of Corporate Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a total of 4560 foreign companies with registered offices or subsidiaries closed their operations in the country between 2017 and 2022;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the total number of active foreign subsidiaries operating in the country;
- (d) whether 64,000 jobs have been lost in the automobile industry since 2017 and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether Rs. 2,485 crores worth of investments were lost by car dealerships after 2017;
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

## **ANSWER**

The Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation; Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Planning and Minister of State in the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.

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- (a) A total of 3552 foreign companies and subsidiaries of foreign companies have been closed in the country between 2017 and 2022.
- (b) The closure of operations of a company is a business decision peculiar to each company which may be include factors such as cessation of operation of branch office, expiration of validity of permission / licence etc. granted by the Reserve Bank of India, not starting its operation due to change of business policy of the parent company, foreign company establishing a private limited company in India, closure of Parent Company, management's decision, closure of liaison office/ branch office in India on completion of project of parent Company. The reason for closure of subsidiaries of foreign companies are also similar.
- (c) There are 14137 number of active foreign subsidiaries operating in the country.
- (d) to (f): Information has been called from the Ministry of Heavy Industries. However, they have informed that no such confirmed data on jobs / investments loss information is available with them.

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