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Title: Regarding establishment of export centre for firecrackers in Sivakasi-laid.

**SHRI B. MANICKAM TAGORE (VIRUDHUNAGAR):** I would like to urge the Government to take steps for export of firecrackers and establish an export centre in Sivakasi, Tamil Nadu. Sivakasi in Tamil Nadu with a number of industries manufacturing fireworks contributes significant share for the growth of the State of Tamilnadu with employment for more than 10000 people directly and indirectly. The domestic consumption of firecrackers across the country is largely managed by the products from these industries while these industries also export firecrackers. To develop the industry which is already affected by the global lockdown followed by the Covid pandemic, there is a need for establishment of export centre for fire crackers in Sivakasi with adequate incentive for exports in the form of reducing shipping charges and providing guidance for exports. Therefore, I request the Government to take necessary step for the establishment of export centre at Sivakasi for firecrackers at the earliest.