GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3790 ANSWERED ON 12/08/2025

ESCALATION OF TARIFFS

3790. SHRI SRIBHARAT MATHUKUMILLI

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the recent imposition or escalation of tariffs by the United States on imports from BRICS member countries, particularly in strategic sectors such as electric vehicles, semiconductors, and green technologies, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether such measures are likely to impact India's trade balance, supply chains, or exports in any direct or indirect manner, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is evaluating opportunities for India to increase market access in the U.S. in sectors affected by tariffs on other BRICS countries and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government plans to engage diplomatically or through trade forums such as WTO, G20, or IPEF to safeguard India's trade interests while upholding its commitments to BRICS cooperation, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्यमंत्री (श्री जितिन प्रसाद) THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

- (a) The US, since January 2025, has imposed additional tariffs at varying rates on imports from all countries. These have been imposed citing *inter-alia* reasons related to Trade deficits, illegal movement of drugs, border security etc. However, as on date no additional tariff has been imposed by the US based on any partner country's membership of BRICS.
- (b) to (d) Government continues to monitor the impact of the additional tariffs imposed by the US on exports from India. Government is engaged with all stakeholders including exporters and industry for taking feedback of their assessment of the impact from the reciprocal tariffs imposed by the USA. Government attaches utmost importance to protecting and promoting welfare of farmers, workers, entrepreneurs, exporters, MSMEs and all sections of industry.
