GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2912 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2024

REVAMP OF MSMES IN MANIPUR

2912. DR. ANGOMCHA BIMOL AKOIJAM:

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any assessment of the impact of the recent ongoing crisis in Manipur on the MSME sector, which forms a crucial part of the State's economy;
- (b) if so, the details of the findings, including the extent of damage suffered by MSMEs, loss of livelihoods, and disruptions to local businesses; and
- (c) whether the government proposes to introduce any special relief package or targeted measures to revamp the MSME sector in Manipur and if so, the details thereof including financial assistance, credit support and other initiatives to restore economic stability in the state?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SUSHRI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE)

(a) to (c): To assess the impact of ongoing issues in the State of Manipur, no specific assessment has been conducted, so far, for the MSME Sector of Manipur. As on 10.12.2024, 1,22,323 MSMEs are registered on Udyam Registration Portal and Udyam Assist Platform.

The Government has taken up number of initiatives in the country, including North Eastern Region, for the promotion and development of MSME Sector. Some of them are as detailed below:

- i. Adopting new revised criteria for classification of MSMEs.
- ii. No global tenders for procurement up to Rs. 200 crore.
- iii. "Udyam Registration" for MSMEs launched for Ease of Doing Business w.e.f. 1.7.2020.
- iv. Launching of an online Portal "Champions" in June, 2020 to cover many aspects of e-governance including grievance redress and handholding of MSMEs.
- v. Inclusion of Retail and Wholesale traders as MSMEs w.e.f. 2.7. 2021.
- vi. Non-tax benefits extended for 3 years in case of an upward change in status of MSMEs.
- vii. Launch of Udyam Assist Platform on 11.1.2023 to bring Informal Micro Enterprises under the formal ambit for availing the benefits under Priority Sector Lending.
- viii. In order to address the issue of delayed payment to MSMEs, RBI has issued guidelines for setting up and operating the Trade Receivables Discounting System (TReDS) to facilitate the financing of trade receivables of MSMEs from corporate and other buyers, including government departments and public sector undertakings (PSUs) through multiple financiers electronically. To facilitate working capital requirement of MSMEs by converting their trade receivables into cash the Government has notified to reduce the turnover threshold of buyers for mandatory on-boarding on the TReDS platform from Rs. 500 crore to Rs. 250 crore vide notification S.O.7845(E) dated 07.11.2024.

Additionally, some of the initiatives which focus on North Eastern Region, including Manipur, are detailed below:

- i. Additional discount of 10% in Annual Guarantee Fees to units in North Eastern Region (NER) for loans up to Rs.50 Lakh under Credit Guarantee Scheme for Micro and Small Enterprises.
- ii. Additional 5% Guarantee Coverage (i.e. 80%) to MSEs located in Northeast Region (NER) for loans up to 50 Lakh under Credit Guarantee Scheme for Micro and Small Enterprises.
- iii. Government has allocated a budget outlay of Rs.295.00 Crore for setting up of new and modernization of existing Mini Technology Centres, development of new and existing industrial estates, and development of tourism sector during the period 2021-26.
