

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:282  
ANSWERED ON:08.08.2003  
TARGET FOR EXPORT OF LEATHER GOODS  
RAMSHETH THAKUR

**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether any target has been fixed for the export of leather products during 2002-03;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the share of Maharashtra therein;
- (d) the incentives given by the Government to leather exporters; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to boost the export of leather products?

**Answer**

MINISTER FOR COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 282 FOR ANSWERED ON 8TH AUGUST, 2003, REGARDING 'TARGET FOR EXPORT OF LEATHER GOODS'

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. An indicative target of US\$ 2030 million was fixed for export of leather & leather products for the year 2002-2003. No state wise export targets are fixed.

(d) & (e) Government of India is providing financial support:

- (i) to individual exporters for participation in international fairs & buyer-seller meets
- (ii) to Council for Leather Exports for research & development activities for increasing exports
- (iii) to Indian companies to strengthen their market network by establishing warehousing and showroom facilities in focus countries like USA and European countries
- (iv) to exporters to establish design studios to enhance their design development capabilities to boost export.
- (v) to State Governments for filling infrastructural gaps
- (vi) for skill up-gradation and
- (vii) for market intelligence.

In addition, incentives are available to exporters under various export promotion schemes.