

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2510  
ANSWERED ON:14.03.2006  
PROBLEM OF EXPORTERS  
Manvendra Singh Shri ;Sidhu Shri Navjot Singh

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

- (a) whether exporters met the Prime Minister during January, 2006 to present their grievances;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the action taken in this regard;
- (c) whether the exporters have requested the Government to set up a high level taskforce in order to have proper coordination amongst the exporters and to look into the problems of exporters;
- (d) if so, the reaction of the government thereto; and
- (e) the extent to which the demands of the exporters would be met by the Government?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY ( SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

- (a) & (b) Yes, Sir. Chairpersons of leading Export Promotion Councils and other leading exporters met the Prime Minister on 24.1.2006
- (c) Yes, Sir. The Government, agreeing to the request of the delegation, has decided that the Department of Commerce will set up sector specific task force for identified sectors consisting of officers from Department of Commerce, Planning Commission and Ministry of Finance to examine and redress the problems faced by the exporters.
- (d) & (e) The Government is committed to resolve various issues relating to exporters through better Inter Ministerial coordination. In this regard, the Government has also agreed to set up an Inter Ministerial Group, comprising of the Finance Minister and the Commerce & Industry Minister, which will meet at periodic intervals, to look into the grievances of the exporters.