

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA**

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INCENTIVE TO SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES
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Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a): whether Government has announced any facilities or incentives to promote the export of items manufactured by Small Scale Industries especially from the State of Gujarat which was affected by the earthquake;
- (b): if so, the details thereof;
- (c): whether there is any increase in export during the current year as against last year; and
- (d): if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES & AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a)&(b):the Government of Gujarat announced a Scheme for Market Promotion & Development Assistance to the small scale industry (SSI) units affected by earthquake. The scheme, inter alia, provides for a Common Branding and Marketing Fund. Participation in international trade fairs and exhibitions abroad, assistance for sending product sample abroad, participation in international seminars, setting up permanent exhibition-cum-convention centres and setting up a Trade Centre for the SSI units affected by the earthquake.

(c)&(d): According to the information furnished by the Government of Gujarat, exports from the State have increased from Rs. 51,655 crore during 2004-05 to Rs. 64,538 crore during 2005-06.