

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

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TAX HOLIDAY CONCESSION IN TSUNAMI AFFECTED AREAS

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

(a) whether the Government intend to give tax holiday/tax concession for setting up of new industry in Tsunami affected areas in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, measures taken to generate employment opportunities and for the development of such areas ?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGO VAN)

(a) to (c) There is no proposal to give tax holiday/tax concession for setting up of new industry in Tsunami affected areas. The Government has approved a special package for the rehabilitation of Tsunami affected areas which inter alia includes assistance for immediate relief and response; revival of fishery and agriculture sectors and repair/restoration of infrastructure.