Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding prohibition of export of raw human hair- Laid.

SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI (ELURU): 99% of hair wigs and hair extensions worldwide was once sourced from India because of the unique quality of hair. Myanmar and Bangladesh traders have started buying directly from the middle men and smuggling it out or importing from India at under-valued price of

1 \$ a kg as against actual price of over 80 \$ as verified in the recent export date. They process the raw hair and dispatch to China for manufacturing finished products. Due to this we have lost over 8 lakhs jobs in the country in the last 6 years. I had made an appeal to Hon'ble Commerce Minister, DGFT, EPCAP and DRI to save our hair industry. I request the Government again to kindly prohibit the export of raw human hair immediately for saving not only jobs and Foreign Exchange but also our pride besides boosting our Make in India Campaign.