

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

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EXHIBITION FACILITY AT NAGPUR  
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Nagpur has the potential to become one of the major destination for International trade fairs;
- (b) if so, whether the Government propose to develop a modern international exhibition facility at Nagpur;
- (c) whether proposals in this regard have been made to the Union Government;
- (d) if so, whether the Government have considered the proposals; and
- (e) if so, the decision taken thereon?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY ( SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY )

(a) to (e) The proposals of the State Governments for setting up International exhibition centres are considered based on factors like location, its suitability in terms of being a metropolitan town with a large population, existence of a good industrial base, proven experience in organising 3-4 major trade exhibitions annually in the last few years, support of the State Government in terms of providing developed land with a supportive infrastructure in the form of roads, electricity, water, etc. and availability of funds. India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO) provides technical and managerial support in such matters on a request received from the State Government so that formulation of their proposal in this regard is facilitated. No formal proposal has been received from the Government of Maharashtra for setting up of such a centre at Nagpur.