

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:162
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REVAMPING OF STATISTICAL WINGS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware that the production coverage of the monthly Index of Industrial Production(IIP)and the administrative and institutional frame work for primary data collection are much below the desired standards;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the fresh steps taken by the Government for revamping the statistical wings of the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. RAMAN SINGH)

(a) to (c): A statement is enclosed.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 162 FOR 01.03.2002.

(a) & (b): The scope of Index of Industrial Production(IIP) as recommended by United Nations Statistical Office should include mining, manufacturing, electricity and construction. The Current IIP (base year 1993-94) does not capture construction sector, which has a contribution of 6.1% in the GDP (at current prices) during the year 2000-01. It is estimated that non-inclusion of construction in the IIP has decreased the coverage of IIP by about 22%.

The issue to include construction sector in the IIP at the time of proposed revision of base year of IIP is under consideration of CSO.

The institutional framework and administrative structure for the collection of primary data for IIP are provided by Central Statistical Organisation (CSO) and various source agencies respectively. These agencies are continuously engaged in improving the standards of primary data collection for the purpose of IIP.

(c) Improvements in the quality and response rate of industrial production data are being achieved in the Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion (DIPP) by constant interaction with the units and other agencies like the State Governments and Industry Associations. As a result of this the response rate in terms of production data has improved significantly.