

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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EXPORT DEVELOPMENT CENTRES
DUKHA BHAGAT

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

- (a) Whether the Government have identified the Export Development Centers for further boosting of exports:
- (b) if so, the location of these centers and the details of their functioning and export areas;
- (c) whether the Government are also contemplating to give them financial assistance to enable them to fulfil the requirements of the small scale export sector ;
- (d) if so, whether any consultative machinery has been visualized for cooperation between the banks and small scale industries ; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN)

- (a)&(b) State Government, Export Promotion Councils and other Export promotion bodies are advised by the Central Government to identify the important centres from where exports take place and to take measures for development of infrastructure and other facilities at such places. However, no standard list of such centres is maintained.
- (c) Financial assistance under the Critical Infrastructure Balance scheme, Export Promotion Industrial Parks Scheme and credits from financial institutions for support in terms of inputs, packaging and exports are available to all industries including small scale industries at such centres.
- (d)&(e) State Governments have been advised to form State Level Export Promotion Committees under the Chief Secretaries which will include, inter alia, the representatives from Reserve Bank of India, banks, local chamber of commerce and Industry to facilitate flow of credit to export oriented units.