

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a): The share of Small Scale Industries (SSI) in comparison to the other organized sectors in export during the year 2005-06 and 2006-7;
- (b): The number of persons employed and fixed capital invested in the Small Scale Industries Sector in the country as on December, 2006; and
- (c): the details of the promotional package for Small Scale Industries?

Answer

MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES & AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

- (a): As per the information received from various Export Promotion Councils (EPCs) and other bodies concerned, the share of exports of the Small Scale Industries (SSI) in the total exports of the country during 2004-05 (latest available) was 34.38 per cent.
- (b): Based on the results of the third all India census of registered small scale industries (SSI) and sample survey of unregistered SSIs for the reference year of 2001-02, the persons employed and value of investment in plant and machinery in the SSI sector in the country as at the end of March, 2006 (latest available) are estimated to be 294.91 lakh and Rs. 1,81,423 crore respectively.
- (c): Promotion and development of SSIs is primarily the responsibility of State Government and Union Territory (UT) Administrations. To assist the States/UTs and supplement their efforts in this regard, the Central Government implements several schemes/programmes for promotion and development of SSIs. Further, the Government announced the `Package for Promotion of Micro and Small Enterprises` in the Lok Sabha on 27th February, 2007, which provides inter-alia, for measures for cluster based development of Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs); support for technology and quality up gradation; marketing entrepreneurial and managerial development; empowerment of women owned enterprises; strengthening of Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana (PMRY) and strengthening of data base for MSME Sector.