

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1828
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CATEGORISING HANDICRAFT ITEMS
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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received a request from the State Governments for categorising production of furniture and handicrafts items with red sandalwood under permissible value added items for export;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the status of such proposals, State-wise; and
- (c) the time by which such requests are likely to be approved?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a): The Government (in the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises) has not received any such request from the State Governments for categorising production of furniture and handicrafts items with red sandalwood under permissible value added items for export.

(b) & (c): Do not arise.