GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether export industries have been adversely affected due to appreciation in value of the rupee over the US Dollar;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor and the details thereof; and
- (c) the action being taken by the Government to improve this situation?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a) to (c): The Rupee appreciation does adversely affect the exporters' earnings in Rupees. However, exports are affected not only due to exchange rate fluctuation, but also due to a host of other factors, including demand and supply conditions (both domestic and international) and global prices. Monthly average Rupee / US dollar exchange rate and month-wise merchandise exports during the period April, 2008 to February, 2010 are given in Annexure.

The Government and RBI closely monitor the economic developments in the country and internationally on a continuous basis, and need based measures are taken, from time to time, keeping in view the financial and overall economic implications.