

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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CONTRIBUTION OF SMALL INDUSTRIES
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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) the share of small industries in exports in comparison to the organised sector;
- (b) the contribution of small industries in creating employment opportunities and wealth; and
- (c) the long term policy formulated for the development of small industries?

Answer

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

- (a): Based on the data received from Export Promotion Councils (EPCs) the share of Micro and Small Enterprises(MSEs) (including small industries) in the total exports of the country during 2007-08 (latest available) was 30.80 %.
- (b): As per the 'Quick Results : Fourth All India Census of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises 2006-2007', a total of 594.61 lakh persons were employed during 2006-07 in the MSME Sector (latest available) and the total production from the MSME Sector (Registered) for 2006-07 was Rs 7.1 lakh crores.
- (c): The Central Government implements several schemes/programmes for promotion and development of MSMEs with focus on enterprise development, skill development, marketing assistance, technology upgradation , capacity building and infrastructure development through cluster approach, timely availability of credit etc .The Government has enacted the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006, which has come into force from 2nd October, 2006. The Government also announced in February 2007, a 'Package for Promotion of Micro and Small Enterprises' with an objective to provide support in areas of credit, technology upgradation, marketing, infrastructure etc.