

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
LOK SABHA**

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PROMOTION OF EXPORTS

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

- (a) whether export of commodities is likely to double in the coming years due to facilities made available to industries under the new Export-Import Policy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received suggestions from export promotion councils regarding increase in exports;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto;
- (e) whether there is improvement in jewellery, leather and textile sectors, export and consequent increase in employment opportunities in the recent past; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): As per the Foreign Trade Policy, 2009-14, it is expected to double India's exports of goods and services, by 2014.

(c) & (d): Government reviews the export performance of the various sectors through consultation with the Export Promotion Councils (EPC) and the Trade & Industry on continuous basis and based on the suggestions so received, extends need based support measures from time to time as per the requirement and the revenue implications thereof. Based on the sectoral review conducted in December, 2009, Government extended additional support measures in January and March, 2010.

(e) & (f): India's merchandise export figures for specified sectors for the period 2009-10 vis-À-vis 2008-09 in US dollar billion are given below:

Value in US \$ Billion

Product Group	2008-09	2009-10
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Gems & Jewellery	28.41	29.00
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Leather & Leather Manufacturers	3.49	3.28
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Textiles	18.15	18.26
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As per the Quarterly quick Surveys conducted by the Labour Bureau under the Ministry of Labour & Employment, the employment for the exporting units has increased by 1.87 lakh during the period January to March, 2010 over October to December, 2009.