

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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GROWTH IN CEMENT INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Cement Industry has achieved tremendous growth during the last one year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total installed capacity of the Cement units in the country and their actual capacity utilisation;
- (d) the growth rate achieved in the industry during the last two years and the current year; and
- (e) the details of incentives being provided by the Government to the Cement Industry to increase production and to maintain the price level?

Answer

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

- (a), (b) & (d): Cement Industry has achieved a growth of 8.14% in 2007-08, 7.90% in 2008-09 and 12.42% in 2009-10 (Apr-Jun).
- (c): As on 30.6.2009, the installed capacity of the Cement Industry is 226.62 million tonnes. The capacity utilization in 2009-10 (upto June, 2009) has been 91%.
- (e): The cement industry is not under compulsory industrial licensing. Production capacity is being enhanced by setting up Greenfield projects and expansion of existing plants by the cement manufacturers taking into account the growth in demand of cement and other techno-economic considerations. The prices of cement are determined by the market forces of demand and supply.