GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

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

- (a) the details regarding export targets and achievement during the last three years;
- (b) the details regarding targets being fixed for export of various items from SEZs/ EOUs and the achievement made therein during the last two years and the current year;
- (c) whether India's exports have declined especially to Europe during the last three years and if so the sectors causing declining global demand and affecting country's export capacity; and
- (d) the action plan of the Government to improve export growth and achieve 'gxport Mtargets?

Answer

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

(a): Merchandise export targets and the corresponding export figures for the last three financial years are as follows:

(Figures in US Dollar Billion)

Financial Year Export Target Actual Exports

2007-08 160 162.90

2008-09 170 185.30

2009-10 No Target fixed 178.75

(Source: DGCI&S)

(b): No separate export targets have been fixed for SEZs/EOUs. Merchandise export figures for the last three financial years for SEZs/EOUs are as follows:

(Figures in US Dollar Billion)

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2007-08 14.8 41.96
2008-09 22.15 38.47
2009-10 49.05 17.73
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(Source: DGCI&S)

(c): India's merchandise exports to EU for the last three financial years are given below:

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Financial Year Exports (US Dollar Billion)

2007-08 34.54 28.71

2008-09 39.35 13.95

2009-10 36.03 (-)8.45

(Source: DGCI&S)
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Sectors which were adversely affected since 2008 in the wake of global economic slowdown are handicrafts, handloom, textiles, leather & leather products, toys & sports goods, chemicals, engineering, electronics and plantation.

(d): Government reviews the export performance of the various sectors on continuous basis and extends need based support measures from time to time as per the requirement and the revenue implications thereof.