## 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 total quantity and value of export of major items during the last three years, item-wise and year-wise;
- (b) the comparative picture of the country's trade deficit with other developing countries;
- (c) whether various trade/commerce bodies have expressed their views on the declining trend in exports and suggested measures to arrest this trend; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

## **Answer**

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- (a): The detailed data giving ITC(HS) code wise quantity and value of export of last three years is available in the DGCl&S publications in CD form namely 'Monthly Statistics of Foreign Trade of India' for march 2008, March 2009 and March 2010 respectively, which is regularly sent to Parliament library by DGCl&S.
- (b): The trade deficit in US \$ billions for the year 2009 of India, Bangladesh, Brazil, China, Indonesia, Malaysia and Pakistan is (-) 86.98, (-) 6.75, 19.33, 195.85, 27.73, 33.60 and (-) 14.03 respectively. These values have been calculated by culling out figures of exports and imports from WTO website http://stat.wto.org. Similar information about other developing countries is available on the same website.
- (c) & (d): Proposals from various trade/commerce bodies have been received from time to time, particularly during sectoral performance reviews on export performance. The Government has been closely monitoring the export performance of various sector vis-Ã -vis the economic developments in the country and internationally on a continuous basis. Based on sectoral performance reviews for export sectors, support measures are undertaken, keeping in view the need based supports and the financial implications thereof. These measures have contributed in turning the exports growth to positive trajectory since October 2009.