

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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EQUITY CAPITAL FOR SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to start an exchange to help the small and medium enterprises to raise equity capital to meet their financial needs; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a)& (b): Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has an established framework for setting up of Stock exchanges / trading platforms by recognized stock exchanges having nationwide trading terminals for Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs). NSE and BSE launched their SME trading platforms in March 2012.