

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:599
ANSWERED ON:17.05.2012
CAPITAL GOODS INDUSTRY
Panda Shri Baijayant

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to improve the capital goods industry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the measures taken to reduce its import dependence;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide technical support and modern industrial parks to the capital goods industry in the Twelfth Five Year Plan;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether any feasibility study has been conducted in this regard; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

- (a) to (f) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (f) of LOK SABHA Starred Question Number 599 for answer on 17.05.2012 asked by Shri Baijayant Jay Panda regarding Capital Goods Sector.

(a): Yes Madam.

(b): The Planning Commission has formulated a "Manufacturing Plan" for the 12th five year plan under which Capital Goods is one of the focus sectors. The Plan proposes policies and technology support with a view to provide level playing field to domestic manufacturers vis-a vis foreign companies and aims to enhance growth, global competitiveness and reduction in import dependence. Government has also set up Development Councils for important sectors like Machine Tools, Textile Machines and Heavy Electricals Equipment.

(c): Yes Madam.

(d): "Manufacturing Plan" envisages Common Facility Centres and Product Development Centres in and around Capital Goods Industrial Clusters.

(e): Yes Madam.

(f): During Eleventh Five Year Plan a feasibility study for a planned scheme was prepared. Financial approval of the scheme was deferred to the Twelfth Five Year Plan. A scheme with an outlay of Rs. 2,360 crore is proposed by the Department of Heavy Industry for the Twelfth Five Year Plan. The scheme includes R&D and technology support, common facility support, skill development and interest subvention.