

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
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FOOTWEAR DEVELOPMENT TRAINING CENTRE
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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up Footwear Development and Training Centre in the country;
- (b) if so, the details alongwith the locations identified for setting up of these centres;
- (c) the time by which the said centres are likely to be set up;
- (d) whether it is also proposed to make footwears which suit the demands of the international markets; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI VIRBHADRA SINGH)

(a)to(c): The Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises has two Central Footwear Training Institutes (CFTIs) located at Agra and Chennai, respectively, to assist the development of footwear industry. There is, at present, no proposal to set up new CFTIs.

(d) &(e): Footwear suiting the demand of international market are already being made in India. There is an increasing trend of export of footwear from India. The total export of footwear from India during the last 5 years was as follows:-

Value in Million US \$
2006-07 2007-08 2008-09 2009-10 2010-11

1236.91 1489.35 1534.32 1507.59 1732.04

Source: DGCI&S, Ministry of Commerce & Industry

Apart from CFTIs, Footwear Design and Development Institute (FDDI) (under the Administrative Control of Ministry of Commerce & Industry) has set up Footwear Design Studio in its campus at Noida, Mumbai and Rae Bareli through which they are providing design input as well as other technical inputs to the footwear industry as and when required. Central Leather Research Institute (CLRI), Chennai (under the Administrative Control of Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, Deptt. of Scientific and Industrial Research) has set up Shoe Design and Development Centre (SDDC) and Centre for Leather Apparel and Accessories Development (CLAD) through which they are offering translation of design innovations into products using CAD/CAM. They also supply designs based on international demand to industry.