

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

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EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCILS
Pandey Shri Ravindra Kumar

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

- (a) whether the Government provides financial assistance to the various Export Promotion Councils (EPCs); and
- (b) if so, the details of the total financial assistance provided to each of the EPCs during the last three years?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Madam. Financial assistance to various Export Promotion Councils (EPCs) for export promotion activities is provided by Department of Commerce under Market Development Assistance (MDA) Scheme, Market Access Initiative (MAI) Scheme, and Assistance to States for Development of Export Infrastructure and Allied Activities (ASIDE) Scheme. The EPCs also receive financial assistance from M/o Textiles, M/o Tourism etc.

(b): Financial assistance provided to each of the EPCs by Department of Commerce during the last three years is given at Annexure.