

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

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

(a) whether the State Government of Gujarat has submitted a proposal to the Union Government to grant 50 percent assistance for the development of salt industry and welfare activities for agarias; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with decision taken by the Union Government on the proposal of State Government of Gujarat?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(Dr. S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): The Central Government had received a general reference from the Government of Gujarat in February, 2012 suggesting that Central Government may contribute 50% of the amount in the projects approved by the State Government for the better welfare activities and development in salt producing areas. In the absence of any concrete and specific proposal, the Central Government would not be able to take any decision in this regard.