

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

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EXPORT OF LABOUR INTENSIVE PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been a decline in exports of labour intensive products;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the remedial steps in this regard; and
- (c) the action plan to search new markets for export of labour intensive products?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Madam. There has been decline in merchandise exports since October, 2008. Export figures from April, 2008 onwards up to September, 2009 are as given at Annexure A. Highlights of stimulus packages announced by the Government and the RBI, and measures announced in FTP 2009-14, are as given at Annexure B.

(c) For market diversification for export of labour intensive products, significant measures have been announced in the Foreign Trade Policy 2009-14, the details of which are as given at Annexure C.