

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:383  
ANSWERED ON:20.12.2012  
GROWTH OF MSME SECTOR  
Bajwa Shri Partap Singh

**Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to increase the plan expenditure in order to boost the growth of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) Sector during the Twelfth Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to open credit facilitation centres for MSMEs clusters existing in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof including the role of these centres; and
- (e) the other steps taken/ being taken by the Government to boost the MSME Sector?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (e) IN RESPECT OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 383 FOR ANSWER ON 20.12.2012.

(a)&(b): Yes, Madam. Planning Commission has allocated Rs. 24,124.00 crore for XIth Five Year Plan for the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), which is subject to the approval of National Development Council (NDC). The XIth Plan allocation represents an increase of 133.53% over the Xth Five Year Plan allocation of Rs. 10,330.00 crore.

(c)&(d): There are 1618 specialised SME branches of Public Sector Banks operational as on 31.03.2012, including those operational in existing Micro Small Enterprises (MSE) clusters, which provide, inter alia, credit facilitation services to MSEs. In addition, Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) has set up Credit Advisory Centres (CACs) in partnership with cluster level industry associations to provide a number of escort services to MSMEs at the cluster level which includes guiding new / existing entrepreneurs regarding availability of schemes of commercial banks, government subsidies / benefits, provide borrowers with debt counseling, answering queries raised by banks etc. So far, 41 CACs have been set up at various centres all over India in partnership with Industry Associations covering 150 clusters.

(e): To promote MSMEs in the country, the Government is implementing various schemes/programmes relating to credit, technology upgradation and skill development amongst others. Some of the major schemes / programmes being implemented are (i) Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme; (ii) Credit Guarantee Scheme; (iii) Performance and Credit Rating Scheme; (iv) Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme; (v) National Manufacturing Competitiveness Programme (NMCP); (vi) Skilled Development Programme to provide skilled manpower for MSMEs; (vii) Providing Infrastructure and Common Facilities Centres to MSME cluster; (viii) Providing Raw material and marketing support through NSIC; and (ix) Marketing Development Assistance Support to MSME etc.