GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2272 ANSWERED ON:11.03.2013 IMPORT OF IMITATION JEWELLERY Bapurao Shri Khatgaonkar Patil Bhaskarrao;Chitthan Shri N.S.V.;Gaikwad Shri Eknath Mahadeo;Paranjpe Shri Anand Prakash

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

(a) whether there has been a considerable increase in the import of imitation jewellery from China during the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof, value-wise and year-wise and the reasons therefor along with the loss of the foreign exchange on account of such import;

(c) whether the Imitation Jewellery Manufacturers Association (IJMA) has requested the Government to embark upon a policy to discourage the import of imitation jewellery from China;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the response of the Government thereto; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to protect the interests of domestic imitation jewellery manufacturers?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ANAND SHARMA)

(a) & (b): The details of year-wise import in value terms of imitation jewellery from China under ITC (HS) Code 7117 are as under:

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Year Import from China (Value in Rs.Crore)
2009-10 36.07
2010-11 54.29
2011-12 82.36
April to December, 2012 68.72
(Provisional data) Source:DGCI&S
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(c) to (e): No such representation has been received from Imitation Jewellery Manufacturers Association (IJMA).