## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

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DEVELOPMENT OF LEATHER SECTOR
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## Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of production of leather/ leather products along with quantum and value of its export/import vis-Ã -vis achievements of target fixed therefor during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT and country-wise;
- (b) the details of schemes being implemented by the Government for development of leather sector along with the funds allocated/released and utilised thereunder during the said period, scheme and State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to launch a special programme for assisting and upgrading the existing leather industries, tanneries and slaughter houses with environment friendly technology and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has analysed the functioning of leather industry in the country and if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and
- (e) the measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to promote/ encourage leather industry in the country and boost production/export of leather/ leather products?

## **Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a) The total turnover of the leather industry is estimated at US \$11 billion with export value of nearly US \$6 billion in 2013-14 and domestic industry to the tune of US \$5 billion. The details of quantum and value of its exports/import of leather and leather products vis-a-vis target fixed during the last three years and the current year are enclosed in Annexure –A.
- (b)-(e): The details of schemes being implemented by the Government for development of leather sector including the schemes for tanneries and slaughter houses along with an analysis for the leather industry during the 12th five year plan 2012-17 are enclosed at Annexure-B.