

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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Ease of Doing Business
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the performance of India in the recently released World Bank's "Ease of Doing Business" Index, 2015;
- (b) whether India's position has improved in the latest edition of "Ease of Doing Business" Index and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the ranking of India in the said index is likely to improve in 2016;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the measures taken by the Government to promote India's performance in "Ease of Doing Business" and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the reasons for low manufacturing base in the country along with the measures taken by the Government to promote manufacturing sector in India?

Answer

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THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(SHRIMATI NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a): India's overall rank in Doing Business Report, 2015 was 142nd. Indicator-wise ranks are as follows:
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S. No. Indicator Set Rank
1 Starting a business 158
2 Dealing with construction permits 184
3 Getting Electricity 137
4 Registering property 121
5 Getting credit 36
6 Protecting minority investors 7
7 Paying taxes 156
8 Trading across borders 126
9 Enforcing contracts 186
10 Resolving insolvency 137
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India's overall rank in the Doing Business Report, 2016 which was released in October, 2015 was 130th.

(b): Yes. India's overall rank in the latest Doing Business Report, 2016 released on 28th October, 2015 has been improved to 130th. Indicator-wise ranks are as follows:

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S. No. Indicator Set Rank
1 Starting a business 155
2 Dealing with construction permits 183
3 Getting Electricity 70
4 Registering property 138
5 Getting credit 42
6 Protecting minority investors 8
7 Paying taxes 157
8 Trading across borders 133
9 Enforcing contracts 178
10 Resolving insolvency 136
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(c): The ranking of India in the said index in the upcoming Doing Business Report, 2017 to be released in 2016 will be based on the reform measures undertaken by Govt. of NCT of Delhi and Government of Maharashtra and the Ministries/Departments concerned.

(d): The measures taken by the Government to promote India's performance in 'Ease of Doing Business' are given at annexure.

(e): The measures undertaken by the Government to promote manufacturing are: (i) announcement of the National Manufacturing Policy which entails measures to improve industrial infrastructure, simplify business regulations, incentivize clean technology, skill development, and investment in MSMEs. (ii) The Government has launched the 'Make in India' initiative, which aims at promoting India as an important investment destination and a global hub for manufacturing, design and innovation. The initiative is aimed at creating a conducive environment for investment, modern and efficient infrastructure, opening up new sectors for foreign investments and forging partnerships between government and industry.
