GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether cheap Chinese imports have affected the operational viability of the domestic industries, particularly in the manufacturing sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the corrective steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Import of an item takes place only when similar item is either not available in the domestic market or is available at a cheaper rate outside the country than the one available in the domestic market. Excess capacity overseas and downward pressure on international prices in light of the global slowdown has led to enhanced competitive pressure on domestic producers from foreign suppliers in some sectors.

Indian industry, if affected by such imports, can seek remedies for invoking trade defence measures like imposition of anti-dumping duty, countervailing duty and safeguard duty.