

MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL POLICY & PROMOTION

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*Slump in manufacturing sector

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

(a) whether Government is aware that the condition of manufacturing sector is deteriorating day by day due to various factors;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the measures suggested by the Planning Commission to improve the condition of the manufacturing sector; and

(c) the follow up action taken by Government on the suggestions of the Planning Commission?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

(DR. E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN)

(a) to (c): The industrial performance measured in terms of Index of Industrial Production (IIP) reflects movements in production of manufacturing, mining & quarrying and electricity over the base of 2004-05. As per the IIP, the index of manufacturing production moderated by 0.6 % during April-November, 2013-14, as compared to an increase by 0.9 % during corresponding period of previous year.

The Planning Commission in the Twelfth Five Year Plan document has made various recommendations about the measures that are necessary for meeting the targets of industrial growth envisaged in the Plan period. These inter alia, include recommendations relating to policy like reforming the existing environmental clearances processes, preparing policy on fuel usage in transport sector etc.; creation of new institutions; and strengthening of existing institutions such as local bodies for recycling and waste management, standard developing organisations etc. The Departments and Ministries in the Government take action for activities in their respective domain and in accordance with the resources available, as considered feasible and expedient.