

- (b) if so, the achievements made by SEZs so far;
- (c) whether export targets are set for SEZ units; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Physical exports from the SEZs have increased from Rs. 2,20,711 crore approx. in 2009-10 to Rs. 3,15,868 crore approx. in 2010-11, registering a growth of 43.11%. The total physical exports from SEZs as on 30th September, 2011 *i.e.* in the first half of the current financial year, has been to the tune of Rs. 1,76,479.69 crore approx. registering a growth of 26.20% over the exports of corresponding period of the previous financial year.

- (c) No export targets are set for SEZ units.
- (d) Does not arise.

Steps to increase exports

2333. SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that India's export growth has slumped;
- (b) if so, what are the main factors contributing to this situation; and
- (c) the steps being taken to help increase the exports?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) No, Sir. In the current financial year 2011-2012, India's export has been growing every month as compared to relevant month of the previous year. Diversification of exports is a continuous endeavour and need based measures are taken by the Government from time to time. The Government has recently announced schemes like Special Bonus Benefit Scheme, Special Focus Market Scheme and also included two new markets *viz.* Cuba and Mexico under the Focus Market Scheme, for further boosting export of Indian products to different markets.

Slow down of industrial growth rate

2334. SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that industrial growth has slowed during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) what are the sectors that have shown slackness;

- (d) what are the factors that have contributed for this; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by Government to accelerate the industrial growth?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) The industrial growth measured in terms of Index of Industrial Production (IIP) has steadily increased during the last three years from 2.5 percent in 2008-09 to 5.3 percent 2009-10 and 8.2 percent in 2010-11. In the current year during Apr-Oct, 2011, the industrial growth is moderate to 3.5% compared to a growth of 8.7% in the corresponding period of the previous year.

- (c) The sectoral growth for the last three years and the current year is indicated below:-

(in percent)

Years	Mining (141.57)	Manufacturing (755.27)	Electricity (103.16)	General (1000)
2008-09	2.6	2.5	2.7	2.5
2009-10	7.9	4.8	6.1	5.3
2010-11	5.2	9.0	5.5	8.2
April-October				
2010-11	6.9	9.4	4.5	8.7
2011-12	(-)2.2	3.7	8.9	3.5

(d) Factors that have contributed to the moderation in industrial growth during the current year, among others include moderation in the rate of growth of consumption expenditure, under performance of the construction sector, hardening of interest rates resulting in increase in the cost of capital and global economic uncertainty.

(e) Various steps have been taken by the government to boost industrial production which, *inter-alia*, include promotion and facilitation of industrial investment including the foreign direct investment; improvement in business environment; development of industrial and other infrastructure through public private initiatives; incentivizing research and development; and development of industry related skills. Government in November, 2011 also announced a National Manufacturing Policy, which aims at making industry globally competitive.

Financial assistance to shrimp companies

2335. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state: