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(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

RAJYA SABHA
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INDIA'S POSITION IN THE WAKE OF US-CHINA TRADE ISSUES

3880. SHRI NARAIN DASS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware of the escalating 'Trade War' between the United States of America and the People's Republic of China;
- (b) whether Government is aware of the trend of Multi National Corporations exiting China in search of alternative countries amidst unfavourable trade agreement with US;
- (c) if so, the details of India's comparative position vis-a-vis China with respect to stability, infrastructure, manpower, learning, discipline and labour laws; and
- (d) the details of steps and actions taken by Government to facilitate capture of potential foreign investment?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d): Some media reports, scholarly articles and business climate surveys have indicated that some companies are shifting or planning to shift their production capacity from China due to various reasons, including import duty increase on tariff lines of trade officially announced by US & China against each other.

The Government is actively working on a strategy to facilitate investment in our Country. India's attractiveness as a destination for manufacturing has improved over the past few years with ease of doing business, policy focus such as Make in India initiative, and other industry specific policies. It has identified the different categories of companies with regard to their position and their future strategies, especially compatibility of their manufacturing requirements with those that can be offered by India. These companies are broadly into sectors viz., Electronics, Electric Vehicles, Battery manufacturers, Paper, Leather, Footwear, Construction Machinery and Machine Tools, Steel, Consumer Goods and Auto and Auto Component Manufacturers.
