GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3110 (H) TO BE ANSWERED ON 20th MARCH, 2020

TOXIC CHEMICALS IN THE PRODUCTS IMPORTED FROM CHINA

3110(H). SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV:

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

- (a) whether Government has banned the import of chocolates, candies, confectionery, milk and milk-made food products from China; and
- (b) whether any toxic chemical is found in the said products being imported from China, which is extremely harmful for human health, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

- (a) Since 24 September, 2008 import milk and milk products from China is prohibited. Since 1st December, 2008, import prohibition from China was extended to chocolates and chocolate products and candies/confectionary/food preparations with milk and milk solids as an ingredient. Since then import prohibition of the above items from China has been extended from time to time and continues even now.
- (b) Does not arise in view of the ban on import of such products from China since 2008.
