



GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN HEAVY INDUSTRIES SECTOR

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Yes. Ministry of Heavy Industries (MHI) has engaged with the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI), Japan, to explore the sectoral scope of the Indian Capital Goods industry with Japanese manufacturers, particularly with regard to technology transfer, skill development and cooperation in advanced manufacturing technologies under the India–Japan Industrial Competitiveness Partnership (IJICP).

Yes. In order to encourage the technological development and to augment the indigenous manufacturing in the Capital Goods sector so as to strengthen the industrial production and exports, Ministry of Heavy Industries (MHI) is implementing the Scheme for “Enhancement of Competitiveness in the Indian Capital Goods Sector- Phase II”. Under the Scheme, 29 projects with project cost of Rs. 891.37 crores and Government Contribution of Rs.714.64 crore have been sanctioned so far.

Under the Scheme, MHI has set up 4 Smart Advanced Manufacturing and Rapid Transformation Hub (SAMARTH) Centres to strengthen digitization across heavy industry sector. These centres are Centre for Industry 4.0 (C4i4) Lab Pune; IITD-AIA Foundation for Smart Manufacturing, IIT Delhi; I-4.0 India @ IISc, Bengaluru; and Smart Manufacturing Demo & Development Cell, CMTI, Bengaluru.

This information was given by the Minister of State for Heavy Industries, Shri Bhupathiraju Srinivasa Varma in a written reply in the Rajya Sabha.

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