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To
Shri Sumit Kumar Sachan,
Under Secretary to Government of India,
Department of Commerce,
Udyog Bhawan,
New Delhi-110 107.

भारत सरकार, वाणिज्य एवं औद्योगिक मंत्रालय
वाणिज्य विभाग, विकास आयुक्त का कार्यालय,
मेप्स विशेष आर्थिक क्षेत्र, तमिलनाडु, पांडिचरी,
अंडमान और निकोबार द्वीप समूह के शत-प्रतिशत
निर्यात अभिमुख एकक, चेन्नै - 45.

Government of India, Ministry of Commerce and Industry,
Department of Commerce,
Office of the Development Commissioner,
**MEPZ SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE &
HEOUs in Tamil Nadu, Pondicherry,
Andaman & Nicobar Island**
Administrative Office Building,
National Highway-45, Tambaram, Chennai - 600 045.

Sub: Assurance in Rajya Sabha Unstarred Q.No.1227 for 28.11.2019 on the subject "High expense on Government litigation" raised by Hon'ble Member, Shri Amar Patnaik.- reg.

Sir,

Please refer to Ministry's letter No. K-22022/46/2019-EOU dated 12.02.2021 on the above subject.
Reply to the RS Unstarred Question is given below:-

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a)	The details of the expenditure on lawyer's fees and other related expenses incurred by Government on litigation where Government is a party during the last five years; and	The details of expenditure on lawyer's fees and other related expenses incurred by MEPZ-SEZ during the last five years is given below: <table border="1"><thead><tr><th>Sl.No</th><th>Financial Year</th><th>Expense incurred</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>1</td><td>2015-16</td><td>₹ 21,000/-</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>2016-17</td><td>₹ 48,450/-</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>2017-18</td><td>₹ 1,86,000/-</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>2018-19</td><td>₹ 99,400/-</td></tr><tr><td>5</td><td>2019-20</td><td>₹ 1,26,640/-</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2">Total</td><td>₹ 4,81,490/-</td></tr></tbody></table>	Sl.No	Financial Year	Expense incurred	1	2015-16	₹ 21,000/-	2	2016-17	₹ 48,450/-	3	2017-18	₹ 1,86,000/-	4	2018-19	₹ 99,400/-	5	2019-20	₹ 1,26,640/-	Total		₹ 4,81,490/-
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c)	The details of steps taken by government to reduce expenditure on litigation	Department of Commerce may answer suitably.																					

This is issued with the approval of Development Commissioner, MEPZ-SEZ.

Yours faithfully,

(Balasubramaniyam. S)
Assistant Development Commissioner