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1. Introduction

The Central Statistics Office conducts a "Quarterly Survey of Employment" among the EPZ and Pioneer Status Enterprises to provide up-to-date data on the evolution of the workforce in the different industry sub-groups. This issue of the "Economic and Social Indicators" presents the results of the survey carried out at the end of March 2005. Figures are given separately for the Export Processing Zone and Pioneer Status Enterprises, the latter being "small and medium" enterprises engaged mainly in activities involving the application of high technology.

The Indicator also includes provisional figures on EPZ imports and exports for the 1st quarter of 2005 as well as revised figures for previous years. Table 1.1 shows the main indicators of the EPZ sector for the period 1994 to 2004.

2. The Export Processing Zone (EPZ)

2.1 Number of enterprises

The number of enterprises at the end of the 1st quarter of 2005 stood at 499 compared to 501 at the end of December 2004 and 497 a year ago.

During the first quarter, 9 enterprises closed down and 7 new ones came into operation resulting in a net loss of 2 enterprises. In "Wearing apparel", the most important group in the EPZ, two new enterprises started operation and five closed down bringing the number of enterprises to 221 from 224 at the end of the previous quarter. The distribution of enterprises by product group is given in Table 1.2.

2.2 Employment evolution, 1st quarter 2005

Employment in the EPZ decreased by 1,225 from 68,022 (24,893 males and 43,129 females) at the end of December 2004 to 66,797 (24,592 males and 42,205 females) at the end of March 2005. Female employment fell by 924 and male employment by 301 (Table 1.4).

As shown in Table 1.5, during the first quarter of 2005, a total of 4,304 jobs was created: 4,163 through expansion in 23 existing enterprises and 141 by the 7 new enterprises. On the other hand, 5,529 jobs were lost: 1,799 through reduction in 15 existing enterprises and 3,730 following the closure of the 9 enterprises.

The "Wearing apparel" group registered a decrease of 1,534 in its workforce from 53,561 at the end of the previous quarter to 52,027. Within the group, employment declined by 538 in "Pullovers" and by 996 in "Other garments". On the other hand, the "Textiles yarn and fabrics" group registered an increase of 167 jobs. Details of employment by product group are shown in Tables 1.6 and 1.7.

Foreign workers stood at 13,441 compared to 13,792 at the end of December 2004 (Table 1.4). Employment fell by 210 among females and by 141 among males. Nearly 90% of foreign workers was engaged in the "Wearing apparel" sector. Table 1.8 shows expatriate employment by product group and sex.

2.3 Employment evolution, March 2004 – March 2005

Comparison of March 2004 and March 2005 figures shows an increase of two in the number of enterprises but a decrease of 9,699 in the EPZ workforce. Among males, employment fell by 2,305 and, among females, there was a decrease of 7,394. Expatriate employment declined by 1,703 (Tables 1.4 and 1.8).

In the "Wearing apparel" group, employment declined by 8,414 from 60,441 to 52,027. Within the group, employment fell by 3,607 in "Pullovers" and by 4,807 in "Other garments". A significant decrease was also registered in the "Textile yarn and fabrics" group (-1,210). Details of changes in employment by product group are given in Table 1.7.

2.4 Exports and Imports, 1st Quarter 2005

Statistics on imports and exports are compiled from declarations lodged at Customs by importers and exporters. Some of these declarations are, at times, revised at a later period and corrections made accordingly on the computerised database of the Customs Department. Thus while figures for 2002 and 2003 are final, those for the year 2004 and 1st quarter 2005 are subject to revision as and when the Customs Department submits latest amendments to the Central Statistics Office.

Provisional figures show that EPZ exports for the 1st quarter of 2005 amounted to Rs. 6,546 million compared to Rs. 7,410 million for the corresponding quarter of 2004 showing a decrease of Rs. 864 million (-11.7%).

Exports of manufactured articles of apparel and clothing declined by Rs. 1,138 million during the first quarter of 2005 compared to the corresponding period of last year. The effect of this significant decrease was partially offset by increases in some other product groups of which "Fish and fish preparations" (+Rs. 73 million), "Pearls, precious and semi-precious stones" (+Rs. 62 million) and "Jewellery, goldsmiths and silversmiths wares" (+Rs. 28 million). Other details of EPZ exports by section are shown in Table 1.10.

The United Kingdom, the United States of America and France remain our principal EPZ markets, accounting for Rs. 4,618 million or nearly 71% of total exports. Compared to the corresponding quarter of 2004, decreases in exports were noted in all these markets, with reductions of Rs. 314 million (-19.2%) to the United States of America, Rs. 257 million (-16.2%) to France and Rs. 253 million (-11.4%) to United Kingdom. Exports to the Malagasy Republic increased by 6.8% from Rs. 133 million to Rs. 142 million while a drop of Rs. 10 million (-9.0%) towards the Republic of South Africa was noted (Table 1.12).

EPZ imports during the 1st quarter of 2005 amounted to Rs. 3,437 million compared to Rs. 3,952 million for the corresponding quarter of 2004, representing a decrease of 13.0%. The bill for raw materials decreased by Rs. 211 million (-6.8%) to Rs. 2,899 million and that for machinery and equipment went down significantly by Rs. 304 million (-36.1%) to Rs. 538 million.

Net exports, i.e. exports minus imports, amounted to Rs. 3,109 million and its ratio to exports works out to around 47% (Table 1.9).

It is to be noted that the above figures do not include transactions of the EPZ with the Freeport. EPZ sales to the Freeport are considered as local sales. It was valued at Rs. 560 million for the 1st quarter 2005 compared to Rs. 474 million for the previous quarter and Rs. 561 million for the corresponding period of 2004. These sales are included in exports of Freeport, as and when the goods leave the country.

3. The Pioneer Status Enterprises (PSE)

3.1 Number of enterprises

During the 1st quarter 2005, four new enterprises started operation, bringing the total number of PSE's to 265. Among the enterprises 87 were "large", that is, having 10 or more employees. The highest number of enterprises was in "Other support services" (62), followed by "Light engineering" (46) and "Informatics" (41). Further details are given in Table 2.1.

3.2 Employment

The total workforce in the PSE sector at the end of March 2005 was 3,809 (2,839 males and 970 females) showing an increase of 104 (+2.8%) over the previous quarter. The "large" enterprises employed 3,263 against 3,165 at the end of December 2004.

Table 2.4 shows that during the 1st quarter 2005, a total of 330 jobs was created: 177 by 48 existing enterprises and 153 by 4 new enterprises. On the other hand, 39 enterprises reported a total reduction of 226 in their workforce. It is also noted that no enterprise closed down during the quarter under review.

The number of expatriates employed in the PSE stood at 210 at the end of the 1st quarter 2005, twenty more than at the end of previous quarter.

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Table 1.1:- Main economic indicators: 1994 - 2004, EPZ Sector.

	<u>1994</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003 ¹</u>	<u>2004</u> ²
1. No of enterprises as at December	494	481	481	480	495	512	518	522	506	506	501
- New	27	25	43	26	48	37	34	24	9	23	20
- Closures	69	38	43	27	33	20	28	20	25	23	25
2. Employment as at December	82,176	80,466	79,793	83,391	90,116	91,374	90,682	87,607	87,204	77,623	68,022
- Net change	-3,445	-1,710	-673	+3,598	+6,725	+1,258	-692	-3,075	-403	-9,581	-9,601
- Growth rate (%)	-4.0	-2.1	-0.8	+4.5	+8.1	+1.4	-0.8	-3.4	-0.5	-11.0	-12.4
3. Exports (f.o.b, Rs Million)	16,533	18,267	21,001	23,049	26,075	29,131	30,961	33,695	32,683	31,444	32,370
4. Imports (c.i.f, Rs Million):	10,125	10,856	12,077	13,880	16,179	15,735	16,399	17,140	16,909	15,579	17,210
- Raw materials	(9,016)	(9,869)	(10,960)	(12,442)	(14,693)	(13,891)	(14,700)	(15,637)	(15,251)	(14,079)	(14,749)
- Machinery & spare parts	(1,109)	(987)	(1,117)	(1,438)	(1,486)	(1,844)	(1,699)	(1,503)	(1,658)	(1,500)	(2,461)
5. Net Exports (Rs Million)	6,408	7,411	8,924	9,169	9,896	13,396	14,562	16,555	15,774	15,865	15,160
6. Net Exports to Exports (%)	38.8	40.6	42.5	39.8	38.0	46.0	47.0	49.1	48.3	50.4	46.8
7. Value added at basic prices (Rs Million)	6,351	7,067	8,202	9,179	10,510	11,697	12,523	13,681	13,600	13,167	13,130
- Share in Manufacturing(%)	50.2	49.6	49.6	49.8	50.4	52.1	50.7	49.9	48.1	44.3	41.2
- Share in GDP(%)	11.7	11.7	12.0	12.1	11.9	12.5	12.0	11.6	10.9	9.6	8.6
8. Annual Growth rate of Value added (%)	+4.3	+5.0	+7.0	+6.0	+6.9	+6.0	+6.0	+4.4	-6.0	-6.0	-6.8
9. Investment (Rs Million)	900	815	930	1,245	1,445	1,755	1,702	1,758	1,468	1,396	1,944
- Machinery	(880)	(805)	(915)	(1,200)	(1,355)	(1,635)	(1,557)	(1,444)	(1,445)	(1,342)	(1,885)

¹ revised

² provisional

Table 1.2: - Net change in number of enterprises by product group: March 2004 - March 2005, EPZ Sector.

		No. of enterprises		Net cha	nge from
Product group	Mar. 2004	Dec. 2004	Mar. 2005	Dec. 04 to Mar. 05	Mar. 04 to Mar. 05
1. Food	10	12	13	1	3
2. Flowers	37	37	37	0	0
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	43	41	40	-1	-3
4. Wearing apparel:	224	224	221	-3	-3
Pullovers	(33)	(31)	(30)	(-1)	(-3)
Other garments	(191)	(193)	(191)	(-2)	(0)
5. Leather products and footwear	9	9	9	0	0
6. Wood and paper products	29	29	26	-3	-3
7. Optical goods	6	6	6	0	0
8. Electronic watches and clocks	6	6	6	0	0
9. Electric and electronic products	6	6	7	1	1
10. Jewellery and related articles	32	33	33	0	1
11. Toys and carnival articles	7	6	6	0	-1
12. Other	88	92	95	3	7
TOTAL	497	501	499	-2	2

Table 1.3:- New enterprises and closures: Year 2004 and 1st quarter 2005, EPZ Sector.

		Year	2004			1st qu	arter 2005	
Product group	New p	projects	Clo	sures	New p	orojects	Clos	sures
	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment
1. Food	2	23	-	-	1	19	-	_
2. Flowers	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	2	191	4	1,222	_	_	1	1
4. Wearing apparel:	9	1,536	14	8,192	2	48	5	3,717
Pullovers	(1)	(63)	(4)	(1,855)	(0)	(0)	(1)	(474)
Other garments	(8)	(1,473)	(10)	(6,337)	(2)	(48)	(4)	(3,243)
5. Leather products and footwear	_	-	_	-	_	_	_	-
6. Wood and paper products	_	_	1	8	_	_	3	12
7. Optical goods	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
8. Electronic watches and clocks	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	-
9. Electric and electronic products	_	_	_	_	1	11	_	-
10. Jewellery and related articles	1	32	_	_	_	_	_	_
11. Toys and carnival articles	_	_	1	49	_	_	_	_
12. Other	6	117	5	50	3	63	-	_
TOTAL	20	1,899	25	9,521	7	141	9	3,730

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Table 1.4:- Employment by size and sex: March 2004 - March 2005, EPZ Sector.

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		Enterprise			Employment (end of period)							
Category	I	Number as a	t	March 04 December 04 March			March 05	rch 05				
	Mar. 04	Dec. 04	Mar. 05	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Enterprises with less than 10 employees Enterprises with 10 or more employees	132 365	141 360	142 357	309 26,529	227 49,062	536 75,591	326 24,519	212 42,626	538 67,145	315 24,224	223 41,698	538 65,922
Outworkers	-	-	-	59	310	369	48	291	339	53	284	337
TOTAL	497	501	499	26,897	49,599	76,496	24,893	43,129	68,022	24,592	42,205	66,797
of which, expatriates	-	-	-	6,071	9,073	15,144	6,626	7,166	13,792	6,485	6,956	13,441

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Table 1.5 :- Analysis of net change in EPZ employment : 1st quarter 2005.

	Evolution 1st	quarter 2005
	Enterprises	Employment
A. Total employment creation:		4,304
Expansion in existing enterprises ¹	23	4,163
New enterprises	7	141
B. Total employment lost:		5,529
Reduction in existing enterprises ¹	15	1,799
Closures	9	3,730
C. Net change (A-B)		-1,225
Male		-301
Female		-924

¹ No. of enterprises relates to those reporting expansion/reduction in their workforce by more than 25 while employment is total expansion/reduction.

Table 1.6:- Employment by product group and sex: December 2004 - March 2005, EPZ Sector.

		Decemb	per 2004			Marc	h 2005		
Product group	No of		Employment		No of	Employment			
	Enterprises	Male	Female	Total	Enterprises	Male	Female	Total	
1. Food	12	778	1,751	2,529	13	775	1,722	2,497	
2. Flowers	37	192	275	467	37	191	294	485	
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	41	2,628	1,240	3,868	40	2,761	1,274	4,035	
4. Wearing apparel:	224	18,293	35,268	53,561	221	17,839	34,188	52,027	
Pullovers	(31)	(2,913)	(5,711)	(8,624)	(30)	(2,851)	(5,235)	(8,086)	
Other garments	(193)	(15,380)	(29,557)	(44,937)	(191)	(14,988)	(28,953)	(43,941)	
5. Leather products and footwear	9	164	587	751	9	160	591	751	
6. Wood and paper products	29	587	210	797	26	543	196	739	
7. Optical goods	6	204	220	424	6	201	217	418	
8. Electronic watches and clocks	6	269	456	725	6	242	458	700	
9. Electric and electronic products	6	118	307	425	7	110	314	424	
10. Jewellery and related articles	33	628	956	1,584	33	625	1,019	1,644	
11. Toys and carnival articles	6	70	641	711	6	72	645	717	
12. Other	92	962	1,218	2,180	95	1,073	1,287	2,360	
TOTAL	501	24,893	43,129	68,022	499	24,592	42,205	66,797	

Table 1.7:- Net change in employment by product group: March 2004 - March 2005, EPZ Sector.

		Employment		Net change	from
Product group	Mar. 04	Dec. 04	Mar. 05	Dec. 04 to Mar. 05	Mar. 04 to Mar. 05
1. Food	2,611	2,529	2,497	-32	-114
2. Flowers	469	467	485	18	16
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	5,245	3,868	4,035	167	-1,210
4. Wearing apparel:	60,441	53,561	52,027	-1,534	-8,414
Pullovers	(11,693)	(8,624)	(8,086)	(-538)	(-3,607)
Other garments	(48,748)	(44,937)	(43,941)	(-996)	(-4,807)
5. Leather products and footwear	824	751	751	0	-73
6. Wood and paper products	791	797	739	-58	-52
7. Optical goods	391	424	418	-6	27
8. Electronic watches and clocks	690	725	700	-25	10
9. Electric and electronic products	459	425	424	-1	-35
10. Jewellery and related articles	1,592	1,584	1,644	60	52
11. Toys and carnival articles	793	711	717	6	-76
12. Other	2,190	2,180	2,360	180	170
TOTAL	76,496	68,022	66,797	-1,225	-9,699

Table 1.8 :- Expatriate employment by product group and sex: March 2004 - March 2005, EPZ Sector.

		March 2004			March 2005	
Product group		Employment			Employment	
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Food	83	318	401	76	303	379
2. Flowers	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	687	328	1,015	700	184	884
4. Wearing apparel :	5,139	8,393	13,532	5,539	6,456	11,995
Pullovers	(628)	(949)	(1,577)	(573)	(693)	(1,266)
Other garments	(4,511)	(7,444)	(11,955)	(4,966)	(5,763)	(10,729)
5. Leather products and footwear	4	2	6	2	2	4
6. Wood and paper products	10	0	10	15	0	15
7. Optical goods	1	1	2	1	1	2
8. Electronic watches and clocks	1	0	1	1	0	1
9. Electric and electronic products	6	1	7	5	1	6
10. Jewellery and related articles	39	1	40	50	2	52
11. Toys and carnival articles	2	22	24	2	1	3
12. Other	99	7	106	94	6	100
TOTAL	6,071	9,073	15,144	6,485	6,956	13,441

Table 1.9 : - Net EPZ exports, 2003 - 2005

Value : Million Rupees

	2003	2004 1		200	04 ¹		2005 1
	2003	2004	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr
A. Total exports (f.o.b)	31,444	32,370	7,410	8,465	8,022	8,473	6,546
B. Total imports (c.i.f)	15,579	17,210	3,952	4,784	4,450	4,024	3,437
Raw materials	(14,079)	(14,749)	(3,110)	(4,096)	(3,997)	(3,546)	(2,899)
Machinery	(1,500)	(2,461)	(842)	(688)	(453)	(478)	(538)
Net Exports (A - B)	15,865	15,160	3,458	3,681	3,572	4,449	3,109
Net Exports as % of total exports	50	47	47	43	45	53	47

¹ Provisional

Table 1.10 : - EPZ exports of selected commodities by section, 2003 - 2005

Value (f.o.b) : Million Rupees

SITC section/description	2003	2004 1		200)4 ¹		2005 1
STIC section/description	2003	2004	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr
Total EPZ Exports	<u>31,444</u>	<u>32,370</u>	<u>7,410</u>	<u>8,465</u>	<u>8,022</u>	<u>8,473</u>	<u>6,546</u>
0 - Food and live animals of which:	2,301	2,690	512	672	778	728	704
Fish & fish preparations	1,995	2,231	445	542	689	555	518
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	72	103	11	10	42	40	19
5 - Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	174	205	54	49	50	52	35
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material of which:	2,514	3,240	627	938	836	839	699
Textile yarn, fabrics, made up articles	1,100	1,535	298	522	353	362	307
Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones	1,127	1,250	241	296	354	359	303
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	178	421	56	38	128	199	39
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles of which:	26,199	25,688	6,146	6,753	6,179	6,610	5,049
Articles of apparel and clothing	24,168	23,217	5,612	6,120	5,543	5,942	4,474
Optical goods	118	145	26	52	36	31	35
Watches and clocks	393	410	93	103	101	113	119
Toys, games and sporting goods	176	174	39	47	52	36	31
Jewellery, goldsmiths & silversmiths wares	629	834	161	191	226	256	189
Other sections	6	23	4	5	9	5	1

¹ Provisional

Table 1.11: - EPZ imports of selected commodities by section, 2003 - 2005

Value (c.i.f): Million Rupees

		1		200)4 ¹		2005 1
SITC section/description	2003	2004 1	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr
Total EPZ Imports	<u>15,579</u>	<u>17,210</u>	<u>3,952</u>	<u>4,784</u>	<u>4,450</u>	4,024	<u>3,437</u>
0 - Food and live animals	918	1,474	192	323	578	381	193
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels of which:	813	1,158	196	432	400	130	334
Cotton	516	818	124	321	303	70	210
Synthetic fibres suitable for spinning	19	24	2	9	4	9	9
Wool and other animal hair	216	247	57	87	69	34	93
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related products	12	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	613	571	131	131	150	159	135
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material of which:	10,147	9,898	2,218	2,795	2,476	2,409	1,877
Leather	151	171	48	39	36	48	30
Textile yarn and fabrics	7,848	7,321	1,662	2,153	1,814	1,692	1,268
Pearls, precious and semi-precious stones	1,264	1,417	259	343	430	385	352
7 - Machinery & transport equipment	1,500	2,461	842	688	453	478	538
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles of which:	1,522	1,564	358	394	375	437	337
Optical goods, watches & clocks	207	220	51	51	53	65	52
Jewellery, goldsmiths & silversmiths wares	302	401	77	89	86	149	86
Other sections	54	84	15	21	18	30	23

¹ Provisional

Table 1.12: - EPZ exports by country of destination, 2003 - 2005

Value (f.o.b): Million Rupees

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Country of destination	2003	2004 1	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr
Total EPZ Exports	31,444	32,370	7,410	8,465	8,022	8,473	6,546
Europe	20,507	21,886	5,149	5,811	5,186	5,740	4,667
Belgium	646	1,015	193	218	269	335	281
France	7,253	7,036	1,587	1,958	1,456	2,035	1,330
Germany	1,176	1,014	277	276	256	205	190
Italy	1,196	1,449	318	445	305	381	283
Netherlands	749	730	217	167	183	163	156
Spain	448	489	72	104	103	210	102
Sweden	67	17	4	8	3	2	1
Switzerland	473	534	116	147	138	133	146
United Kingdom	7,848	8,913	2,223	2,337	2,272	2,081	1,970
Other	651	689	142	151	201	195	208
Asia	399	810	146	172	212	280	104
China	49	55	21	2	20	12	-
Hong Kong (S.A.R) ²	66	113	25	59	12	17	13
India	24	300	14	13	95	178	5
Japan	152	121	37	30	26	28	27
Singapore	18	7	2	3	1	1	1
Other	90	214	47	65	58	44	58
Africa	1,733	1,939	398	541	491	509	383
Malagasy, Republic of	560	700	133	225	180	162	142
Reunion	290	345	74	98	<i>76</i>	97	66
South Africa, Republic of	557	445	111	110	133	91	101
Zimbabwe	46	21	7	10	2	2	3
Other	280	428	73	98	100	157	71
America	8,722	7,632	1,693	1,911	2,108	1,920	1,379
Canada	167	134	37	35	32	30	19
U.S.A	8,474	7,395	1,632	1,851	2,047	1,865	1,318
Other	81	103	24	25	29	25	42
Oceania	83	103	24	30	25	24	13
Australia	81	103	24	30	25	24	13
New Zealand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	2	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Country of origin	2003	2004 1	1st Qr	200 2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr
Total EPZ Imports	15,579	17,210	3,952	4,784	4,450	4,024	3,437
Europe	5,177	6,723	1,612	1,718	1,627	1,766	1,243
Belgium	514	816	134	163	247	272	270
France	1,584	1,829	359	433	503	534	376
Germany	574	702	213	163	167	159	145
Italy	1,054	1,209	303	339	254	313	166
Netherlands	19	23	4	2	10	7	2
Spain	380	575	180	96	197	102	41
Sweden	19	34	7	12	14	1	1
Switzerland	441	942	287	364	105	186	115
United Kingdom	375	385	82	87	93	123	92
Other	217	208	43	59	37	69	35
Asia	7,316	7,978	1,737	2,474	2,008	1,759	1,740
China	2,264	2,359	491	602	639	627	572
Hong Kong (S.A.R) ²	662	491	112	155	136	88	70
India	2,382	2,918	612	1,054	708	544	574
Indonesia	280	352	74	158	50	70	101
Japan	142	228	137	21	31	39	58
Korea, Republic of	140	158	27	44	56	31	28
Macau	1	2	_,	-	1	1	
Malaysia	387	435	79	130	132	94	90
Pakistan	335	326	66	70	74	116	78
Singapore	60	96	25	23	30	18	28
Taiwan	307	278	35	115	68	60	68
Thailand	175	206	35	67	49	<i>55</i>	58
Other	181	129	44	35	34	16	15
Africa	2,093	1,477	422	282	407	366	222
Burkina Faso	115	60	32	5	23	-	
Cameroon	29	35	20	15	-	_	_
Malagasy, Republic of	183	89	22	18	14	35	31
Mali	80	50	30	17	-	3	4
South Africa, Republic of	1,271	771	259	151	232	129	102
Other	415	472	59	76	138	199	85
America	684	612	133	150	238	91	93
U.S.A	465	430	70	146	144	70	74
Mexico	3	2	-	1	1	-	-
Other	216	180	63	3	93	21	19
Oceania	309	420	48	160	170	42	139
Australia	261	235	44	76	75	40	65
Micronesia	40	66	-	66	-	-	40
Other	8	119	4	18	95	2	34

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Table 2.1:- Net change in number of enterprises by product group, Mar. 2004 - Mar. 2005 Pioneer Status Enterprises.

	N	o. of enterpr	ises	Net change			
Product group	Mar.04	Dec.04	Mar.05	Dec.04 to Mar.05	Mar.04 to Mar.05		
Informatics	40	41	41	0	1		
Electric and electronic products	37	37	38	1	1		
Light engineering	43	44	46	2	3		
Support to jewellery	4	4	4	0	0		
Support to printing and publishing	15	16	17	1	2		
Other support services	62	62	62	0	0		
Plastic and rubber product	26	26	26	0	0		
Other	31	31	31	0	0		
TOTAL	258	261	265	4	7		

Table 2.2:- Net change in employment by product group, Mar. 2004 - Mar. 2005 Pioneer Status Enterprises.

	I	Employment		Net change			
Product group	Mar.04	Dec.04	Mar.05	Dec.04 to Mar.05	Mar.04 to Mar.05		
Informatics	263	321	304	-17	41		
Electric and electronic products	332	381	299	-82	-33		
Light engineering	781	858	921	63	140		
Support to jewellery	81	75	79	4	-2		
Support to printing and publishing	217	198	342	144	125		
Other support services	725	667	710	43	-15		
Plastic and rubber products	502	517	507	-10	5		
Other	556	688	647	-41	91		
TOTAL	3,457	3,705	3,809	104	352		

Table 2.3:- Employment by size and sex: March 2004 - March 2005, Pioneer Status Enterprises.

	No. of enterprises				Employment							
Employment size	No	. or enterpr	ises		March 2004		December 2004			March 2005		
	Mar.04	Dec.04	Mar.05	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
25 and above	43	46	47	1,636	575	2,211	1,858	643	2,501	1,955	685	2,640
10 to < 25	43	41	40	517	194	711	469	195	664	475	148	623
Less than 10	172	174	178	410	125	535	404	136	540	409	137	546
TOTAL Of which, expatriates	258	261	265	2,563 <i>183</i>	894 <i>17</i>	3,457 200	2,731 <i>171</i>	974 19	3,705 <i>190</i>	2,839 <i>191</i>	970 19	3,809 210

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Table 2.4: Analysis of net change in employment: 1st quarter 2005, Pioneer Status Enterprises.

	Evolution 1st	t quarter 2005
	Enterprises	Employment
A. Total employment creation :		330
Expansion in existing enterprises	48	177
New enterprises	4	153
B. Total employment lost:		226
Reduction in existing enterprises	39	226
Closures	0	0
C. Net change (A-B)		104
Male		108
Female		-4

Table 2.5:- Employment by product group and sex: March 2004 - March 2005, Pioneer Status Enterprises.

	March 2004				March 2005				
Product group	No. of Employment			No. of	Employment				
	enterprises	Male	Female	Total	enterprises	Male	Female	Total	
Informatics	40	196	67	263	41	219	85	304	
Electric and Electronic products	37	215	117	332	38	187	112	299	
Light engineering	43	690	91	781	46	813	108	921	
Support to jewellery	4	21	60	81	4	19	60	79	
Support to printing and publishing	15	157	60	217	17	248	94	342	
Other support services	62	443	282	725	62	492	218	710	
Plastic and rubber products	26	445	57	502	26	444	63	507	
Other	31	396	160	556	31	417	230	647	
TOTAL	258	2,563	894	3,457	265	2,839	970	3,809	