

(d) Investment by the foreign entrepreneurs in a State depends on various factors such as degree of development of industry and financial infrastructure, the potential size of the market, skilled human and natural resources of the State and also the discal and other incentives provided by the State Government and above all the commercial judgement of the investor.

#### **Upgradation of ITIs in Assam**

1837. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal for upgradation of Industrial Training Institutes presently functioning in the State of Assam under the Ninth five-Year Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to upgrade the above Institutes in Assam?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. RAMAN): (a) to (c) There is no proposal at present for upgradation of Industrial Training Institutes in the State of Assam. However, 28 States/Union Territories including Assam participated in a World Bank assisted Vocational Training Project which closed on 31.12.98. Under this project, 13 Government Industrial Training Institutes in Assam were upgraded.

#### **Export of spices and eatables from Andhra Pradesh**

1838. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of fruits, vegetables, spices and other food items exported from Andhra Pradesh during the last three years; item-wise and year-wise; and

(b) their effect on domestic market?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) Details of the quantity of fruits, vegetables, spices and other food items exported from Andhra Pradesh is not available as State-wise data on exports is not maintained.