कंटरीज में इसकी प्रोग्नेस ग्रभी तक नहीं हो रहीं है। मैं सरकार से जानना चाहता हूं कि जो गारमेट्स, पोणाक बने बनाये जाते हैं इसकी मार्किटिंग युरोपिय कंटरीज में भी हो. ग्रमेरिकत कंटरीज से भी हो इसके लिये क्या सरकार उनको कुछ छूट देगी जिस प्रकार से हेवी इंडस्ट्रीज को, बड़े उद्योगों को एक्सपोर्ट करने के लिये देती है।? उनको बढ़ाने के लिये ति स्वाप्त की सुविधाएं देनी है इसको भो क्या इस प्रकार की सुविधा देगी जिससे ये ग्रपना माल विदेशों में भेज सके ग्रीर देण को काफी-काफी फारेन एक्सचेंज मिल सके ?

SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH: Sit, we do export garments to the US and the European countries, and the facilities that have been given for the small scale sector are: The limit on capital investment on plant and machinery in respect of small scale units has been increased from Rs. 20 lakhs of Rs. 35 lakhs. The category of automatic licences have been abolished. Most of them which appear are of automatic permissible list. This gives a lot of benefit to the small scale sector. Then the import of proto-type facilities continue. The import of capital goods through the NSIC to small scale sector continues. So, there is quite a provision to give impetus as the hon. Member has in mind

MR. CHAIRMAN Question No. 389,

## Financial assistance and loans given under the DRI scheme

\*389. SHRI RAMSINGBHAI PATA-LIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) what quantum of financial assistance under DRI Scheme has been given by the various nationalised banks during the period 1st April to 31st July, 1984 to the (i) tribal people, (ii) persons belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and (iii) weaker sections of society in the Districts of Baroda, Surat. Dangyyara, Mandvi Bulsar and Chhota Udaipur in Gujarat; and
- (b) what are the plans and programmes of Government to give more such

assistance to such people under the 20-point Programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) A Statement is laid on the Table of the Houle.

## Statement

(a) and (b) The Reserve Bank of India has informed that the present data reporting system does not generate trict-wise information on Differential Rate of Interest Scheme (DRI). However, according to the latest information available with Reserve Bank the total advances outstanding in the State of Gujarat under DRI were Rs. 42.62 crores in 3.70 lakh borrowal accounts. Under DRI Scheme the banks have been asked to advance I per cent of their total advances outstanding at the end of previous year. This target is bank-wise and there are no Statewise targets. However, in the State of Gujarat the advances under DRI as at the end of December 1983 constituted 2.2 per cent of the total outstanding advances as at the end of the previous year. The advances to the members of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes were Rs. 29.39 crores. in 2,59 lakh borrowal accounts. amounting to 69 per cent of the total advances.

The banks will continue to provide loans under the Differential Rate of Interest Scheme to the eligibile beneficiaries, including the members of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes as per the target assigned by the Government.

श्री रामांसह भाई पातलीया भाई राठवा सभापति जी, 'क' का जवाब तो मुझे मिल गया लेकिन 'ख' का जवाब जो दिया गया है वह मैं समझ नही सका। इसलिए फिर से मंत्री महोदय 'ख' का जवाब देने की कृपा करें।

SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI: Sir. under the DRI scheme, the target fixed is that one per cent of the total advances to be given to the weaker section. That target has been reached already. Now

the overall performance, the achievement is 1.17 per cent.

Oral Answers

श्रा रामसिंह भाई पातलीया भाई राठवा: क्या भंत्री महोदय यह बताने की कपा करेंगे कि क्या भारतीय रिजर्व बैक के पास ऐसी कोई गाइड-लाइन्स है जो टी प्लाटेशन करना चाहते है उसके ग्रन्दर जी खर्चा होता है उसके लिये कुछ सहायता वे दे सके?

SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI: Sir. for afforestation one special programme was introduced in 1983. As per that programme which is identical to IRD programme, about Rs. 600 crores have to flow from the bank and a matching subsidy has to come from the Central Government and the State Governments on 50:50 basis. And this is being used for the afforestation in the country.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Next Ouestion-Question No. 390

## Demand for Indian goods in gulf countries

390. SHRI C. HARIDAS: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that despite great demand for Indian products in the Gulf market there is a slump in their export due to the poor quality and high price of such products: and
- (b) if so, what steps Government propo e to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) and (b) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

## Statement

(a) There has not been any slump in our exports to the Gulf region. In spite of severe competition from the advanced countries, there has been an increase in

our exports to the Gulf region as will be evident from the following figures:

> (Rs. Ciores) 614 1981-82 1982-83 687 1983-84 710

- (b) Among the several measures proposed to be taken to improve our export performance in the Gulf region, following are the more important ones:-
  - (i) A new export promotion marketing strategy for Indian has been drawn up. Selected countries have been identified as thrust markets for intensive export promotion efforts.
  - commodities/ (ii) Similarly, thrust product groups have been identified and special measures are proposed to promote their exports.
  - (iii) Possibilities of link deals involving linkage of exports with imports, within the framework of the existing policy, are being explored.
  - (iv) Participation in Exhibitions these countries. Exclusive Indian hibitions are being organised in Saud' Arabia and Qatar. In addition Indian Jewellery exhibition-cum-sale are being organised in UAE and Kuwait.
  - (v) Special attention is being paid to promote project exports in the region.
  - (vi) Promotion of joint ventures between Indian and local parties in these countries.
- SHRI C. HARIDAS: Sir: 1 want 10 know from the hon. Minister as to what is the demand for the Indian goods in the Gulf. Has the Government received about the substandard any complaints quality of Indian goods?
- SHRI P. A. SANGMA Sir, the main items of exports from our country to the Gulf area have been tea, spices, fruits, vegetables and meat. And now we have also started in a small way the export of engineering goods. There has been at one time a complaint about the quality