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Dereservation of Garment Manufacturing Industry

2780. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to dereserve garment manufacturing industry from the SSI list; and

(b) if so, the impact it will have on the workers employed in the SSI units and the entrepreneurs in this Industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) The matter is under examination. The aspects of employment and productivity would be the most important considerations.

Losses to SSI in Orissa

2781. SHRI MAN MOHAN SAMAL: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the loss suffered by Small Scale Industries due to the cyclone in Orissa in the recent past;

(b) whether Government have formulated any scheme for rehabilitation of these Small Scale Industries; and

(c) if so, the progress made so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (c) As per the information furnished by the Government of Orissa, 3307 SSI units have been affected and the damage has been estimated at Rs. 97.23 crores. A Relief Package comprising assistance from the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), the Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI), the National Small Industries Corporation (NSIC) and

the Coir Board has already been announced, which is under implementation.

Schemes for promoting SSI

† 2782. DR. A.K. PATEL: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) the schemes formulated by Government for promoting small scale industries and rural industries during the last five years;
- (b) State-wise details thereof;
- (c) whether said schemes are running well and Government have also made its inspection; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) The strategy for development of Small Scale and Rural Industries during the recent past includes strengthening and continuation of the schemes⁷ programmes and also preparation of need based new schemes. These relate to improving the supply of credit, technology, upgradation, infrastructural development, market development, entrepreneurial development, etc. Recently, in order to provide Joans upto Rs. 10.00 lakhs without collaterals, a Credit Guarantee Trust has been created. A scheme of support for Technology Upgradation of the Small Scale Sector is being formulated.

(b) Schemes are not formulated State-wise and these are uniformly implemented throughout the country.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The progress of these schemes is being regularly monitored at appropriate levels and the progress is" satisfactory.

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