

(a) whether Government* attention has been drawn to a report which appeared in the 'Hindustan Times' of the 27th November, 1974 to the effect that the foreign missionaries are hatching a conspiracy to form a Christian State in the eastern region of India and these missionaries are contemplating to annex the Chittagong hills of Bangladesh and Arakan area of Burma in addition to Nagaland, Mizoram, Tripura and Arunachal Pradesh for the proposed so-called Christian State;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what measures Government are contemplating to check such activities?]

गृह मंत्री (श्री के. ब्रह्मानन्द रेड्डी) : (क) जी हाँ, श्रीमान् ।

(ख) रिपोर्ट की पुष्टि में सरकार के पास कोई सूचना नहीं है ।

(ग) उत्तर-पूर्वी क्षेत्र में इस बारे में स्थिति पर कड़ी तथा निरंतर निगरानी रखी जाती है और किसी भी राष्ट्र-विरोधी गतिविधि से सक्ती से निपटने के लिए उपयुक्त सुरक्षा उपाय किये जायेंगे ।

[THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI K. BRAHMANANDa REDDI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government have no information to corroborate the report.

(c) The situation in this regard in the North-Eastern region is kept under close and constant watch and appropriate security measures will be taken to deal firmly with any anti-national activity. I

Incentives to Private and Co-operative Sectors

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SHRI M. P. VERMA :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state the total financial assistance, subsidies, grants, tax holidays given during the last 3 years to private and co-operatives sectors for establishing small, medium and large scale industries in Andaman and Nicobar Islands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI B. P. MAURYA) : A statement is laid on the Table of the Ho

Statement

Andaman and Nicobar Islands have been declared as a backward area, eligible for 15% Central capital subsidy. The subsidy has to be disbursed by the Union Territory Administration or its nominee in the first instance; reimbursement claim is then received by the Central Government. No such claim has been received so far.

Improved tools and equipment at 50% subsidised rates are distributed to artisans and small entrepreneurs-

Financial assistance in the form of loans is given to small scale industrialists under the State Aid to Industries Act, as an incentive for development of small industries. Managerial subsidy is given to industrial cooperatives.

The expenditure on the above schemes of assistance in the last three years has been as follows:

	(Amount in Rs.)		
	1971-72 (Actual)	1972-73 (Actual)	1973-74 (Anticipated)
(i) Loans under State Aid to Industries Act	50,000	1,00,000	1,15,000
(ii) Distribution of improved tools on 50% subsidy	1,000	15,000	15,000
(iii) Managerial subsidy to Industrial Cooperatives	1,000	3,000	10,000

*[] English translation.