

Cost), building, pre-operative expenses, preliminary expenses, machinery and equipment, miscellaneous fixed assets, support infrastructure such as water supply, electricity and margin money for working capital.

- (ii) Exhibition Centres by Associations of Women Entrepreneurs: The GoI assistance shall also be available to Associations of Women Entrepreneurs for establishing exhibition Centres at Central places for display and sale of products of women owned micro and small enterprises @ 40% of the project cost. The GoI contribution will be towards furnishings, furniture, fittings, items of permanent display, miscellaneous assets like generators, etc.
- (iii) Under Infrastructure Development: GoI grant will be 80% for projects (Project cost ₹ 10 cr) in which more than 50% units are owned by women entrepreneurs. Whereas it is only 60% for others.

Impact of demonetisation on MSME units

1545. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several MSME units closed their operations in November and December 2016, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Ministry has conducted any assessment on the impact of demonetisation on MSME units, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the State/UT-wise details of MSME units where the work force was laid off post demonetisation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI HARIBHAI PARTHIBHAI CHAUDHARY): (a) No such information on several Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) as having closed their operations in November and December, 2016 is available with this Ministry.

(b) No, the Ministry of MSME has not conducted any independent assessment of the impact of demonetisation on MSME Sector. However, during the phase of Demonetisation, this Ministry held several meetings with various MSME Associations. The Ministry of Finance was apprised about the same.

(c) The information on MSME units where the work force was laid off post demonetisation is not available with this Ministry.