

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) to (d). The Andhra Pradesh Health System Project for the upgradation of secondary level hospitals was posed to the World Bank and negotiations completed successfully. The total cost of the Project is about U.S. \$ 158 million. The agreement has come into effect from 1st March, 1995. Similar projects from other States like Karnataka, Punjab and West Bengal have also been posed to the World Bank. Preliminary project reports from the State Governments of Rajasthan, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Himachal Pradesh have also been received. The proposals for upgradation of Health Care Services in some selected districts in the State of West Bengal, Rajasthan and Karnataka have been posed for German assistance. Projects for upgradation of Lady Hardinge Medical College and Kalawati Saran Children Hospital and Quli Qutubshah Diagnostic Centre, Osmania General Hospital, Hyderabad have been posed for Japanese Assistance.

[English]

Expansion of Small Scale Industries

*60. SHRI GABHAJI MANGAJI THAKORE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have chalked out any comprehensive programme for expansion of small scale industries during the next financial year i.e. 1995-96;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the estimated investment to be made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES) (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b). The VIII Five Year Plan (1992-97) sets out the framework for promotion and development of Small Scale Industries. The VIII Five Year Plan has been formulated keeping in view the policy measures for promoting and strengthening Small, Tiny and Village Enterprises, announced on 6th August, 1991. The policy measures inter alia emphasise on support measures like-Infrastructural Facilities, Marketing and Exports, Modernisation, Technological and Quality Upgradation, Promotion of Entrepreneurship etc.

The VIII Five Year Plan laid down annual targets for Employment, Production and Exports as follows:

	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97
1. Employment (Lakh Nos.)	128.9	133.0	138.6	144.4	150.5
2. Production at 90-91 prices (Rs. crores)	168000	179760	196118	213985	233436
3. Exports at 90-91 prices (Rs. crores)	13820	15178	16695	18364	20201

Against the above targets the achievements during first three years of Eighth Five Year Plan are as follows:

	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95
1. Employment (in lakh Nos.)	134.06	139.38	145.00 (P)
2. Production (Rs. crores)	169125	181133	197423 (P)
3. Exports (Rs. crores)	17784	24000	N.A.

P = Provisional.

The approved outlay for the VIII Five Year Plan for the Small Scale Sector is Rs. 627.00 crores. Within the provision of VIII Five Year Plan of Rs. 627 crores for Small Scale Industries Sector Annual Plan formulations have been made and accordingly, the Budget Provisions for the first three years of VIII Five Year Plan are as follows:

	Rs. Crores
1992-93	120.20
1993-94	138.70
1994-95	235.00

Besides, States also make provision for the promotion and development of Small Scale Industries. The provision for the year 1995-96 is under finalisation.

(c) Government do not make investment in Small Scale Industries. The investment in Small Scale Industries is entirely by private initiative for which assistance is available through Financial Institutions and Commercial Banks.

Industrial Sickness

394. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the industrial sickness is an offshoot of the structural change in the economy and is mainly caused by man-made factors;

(b) if so, whether any study has been made in this regard;

(c) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (d). Data on sick industrial units assisted by banks in the country is compiled by the Reserve Bank of India and furnished to Government in its half-yearly reports. According to the RBI report, as at the end of September, 1992, the main reasons for industrial sickness based on the number of