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9658. SHRI HIRALAL DODA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Khadi Commission has given advertisements in newspapers for making appointments in the grade of Rs. 1,300-55-1,850 and Rs. 700-40-1,100;

(b) if so, the number of persons who were called for interview for appointment in these respective scales separately; and

(c) the result of the interview?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ZIAUR RAHMAN ANSARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b)

Scale	No. of persons called for interview
Rs. 1300-55-1850	13
Rs. 700-40-1100	2

(c) No candidate was found to be suitable. Administrative action is being taken for filling up the posts.

Plan prepared by N.C.S.T. Group on Education and Scientific Research

9659. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether much of the basic scientific research in the country is being carried on in universities and similar institutions and these institutions are poorly equipped for research;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to establish the machinery and lay down criteria for funding basic research in the country; and

(c) whether any plan has been prepared by a Group of National Committee on Science and Technology Group on Education and Scientific Research, in this regard and if so, the outlines thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM): (a) to (c). The NCST Panel on Education and Scientific Research has come to the conclusion that there is not adequate support for basic research in scientific disciplines in universities and institutes of higher learning. It has, therefore, proposed that

a suitable mechanism should be evolved for funding appropriately the basic research activities in the universities, IITs and similar other institutions. The recommendation is under consideration.

मध्य प्रदेश में रेशम उद्योग का उत्थान करना

9660. श्री गंगाचरण बीक्षित: क्या औद्योगिक विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या मध्य प्रदेश सरकार ने केन्द्र से अनुरोध किया है कि मध्य प्रदेश को रेशम उद्योग के उत्थान के लिये वित्तीय सहायता दी जाये; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो कितनी सहायता मांगी गई है और उसके प्रति केन्द्रीय सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है?

औद्योगिक विकास मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री जिग्माउर रहमान अन्सारी): (क) और (ख). मध्य प्रदेश सरकार ने अपने 1973-74 के वार्षिक योजना परिव्यय में रेशम उद्योग के विकास के लिये 24.50 लाख रुपये की व्यवस्था की थी। मध्य प्रदेश सरकार द्वारा 288.24 करोड़ रुपये के प्रस्तावित कुल योजना परिव्यय में से ग्राम और लघु उद्योगों के लिये 180 लाख रुपये की स्वीकृति अन्तिम रूप से दे दी गई थी। आनुपातिक रूप से इसी सीमा तक रेशम उद्योग के लिये की गई व्यवस्था भी कम कर दी गई थी।

Pilot Project for Ambar Charkhas in Gujarat by Khadi and Village Industries Board

9661. SHRI VARKEY GEORGE: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any pilot project for electric driven Ambar charkhas has been considered to be launched in Gujarat by the Khadi and Village Industries Board as part of its development programme during the year; and

(b) if so, the outlines thereof and the progress achieved in this regard?