Number of smugglers released by the Central Advisory Board during the above period under the PIT-NDPS Act is as under:

1989	13
1990	6
1991	5
(Provisional	
upto Nov., 91)	

The remaining information under the PIT-NDPS Act is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

Assistance to Spun Silk Manufactures

SHRI RAM SHARAN YADAV: 3739 SHRI DEVENDRA PRSAD YADAV:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the spun silk manufactures are facing crisis due to shortage of silk year and the silk industry has been adversely affected due to the advance licence and replenishment licence schemes; and
- (b) if so, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT) (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Development of Sericulture in Rajasthan

3740, SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government had provided any assistance to the Government Rajasthan for the development of sericulture in the State during 1990;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof:
- (c) the programmes implemented in the State and the results achieved so far;
- (d) whether some centres set up for the development of sericulture in the State have been closed;
 - (e) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the action proposed to be taken by the Union Government to promote sericulture in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) The central Silk Board has extended the following assistance to the Govt. of Rajasthan for the development of sericulture in the State during 1990-91;
 - Supply of 20 tonnes of mulberry cuttings at subsidised cost.
 - Supply of 91731 disease free layings.
 - Arranging training for 399 farmers and 23 reelers. Besides, the Technical Services Center, Chawkie Rearing Centres, Demonstration cum Training Centers & Sericulture Training School established by the Central Silk Board in the State provided necessary support for development of sericulture in the State.
- (c) In addition to its ongoing normal plan programmes in the State, the Central Silk