

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED): (a) and (b) Premium rates for fishing vessels are revised from time to time, depending upon the claims experience, by the Tariff Advisory Committee, which is a statutory body set up under the provisions of the Insurance Act, 1938.

Premium rates in respect of mechanised and non-mechanised fishing vessels since 1979 were 2.25% and 4% respectively. On account of the adverse claims experience, an enhancement of premium rates was being contemplated in 1990 when representations were received from various quarters, including Kerala Government, to reduce the premium rates for the fishing vessels. After considering all these representations, the premium rate in respect of non-mechanised fishing vessels was reduced to 3.5% while the premium rate in respect of mechanised vessels was enhanced to 3% w.e.f. 1st August, 1991.

SERICULTURE IN ANDHRA PRADESH

1940 : **DR. K. V. R. CHOWDARY:** Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) the details of sericulture units in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to encourage the sericulture in the State ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) In order to encourage development of sericulture in Andhra Pradesh, a World Bank/Swiss assisted National Sericulture Project is being implemented in the State by the Central Silk Board and the State Sericulture Department. Further, the Central Silk Board is extending the necessary Research, Extension, Training and Infrastructure support through the network of units established in the State. A *statement* indicating the list of units functioning in the State is attached.

Statement

List of Central Silk Board units in Andhra Pradesh

Sr. No.	Name of Unit	No. of Units	Location
1.	Regional Development Office	1	Hyderabad
2.	Regional Sericulture Research Station.	1	Ananthapur
3.	Research Extension Centre	3	Rayachoty, Madakasira Hanmakonda.
4.	Basic Seed Multiplication Cum Training Centre	3	Vikarabad Rampachodavaram Chinnoor
5.	Reeling, Spinning Demonstration Cum Training Centre.	1	Kosigi
6.	Silkworm Seed Production Centre	5	Madannapalle, Chittoor, Hindupur, Paderu, Vijayawada
7.	P2 Basic Seed Farm	2	Horsely Hills, Parigi
8.	Technical Service Centres	12	Royalpet, Mulkalcheruvu, Penumur, Kuppam, Goramla, Hindupur, Penukonda, Tadapatri, Kambadur, Peapully, Vikarabad, Araku.
9.	Demonstration Cum Training Centre	1	Hindupur
10.	Silk Conditioning & Testing House	1	Dharmavaram