

[English]

Training to Youths for Setting up of Tiny Units

3119. DR. PARSHURAM GANGWAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have formulated any policy/programme involving private sector and voluntary agencies for imparting training to youths willing to set up tiny units in rural areas;

(b) if so, the details of the policy/programme and

(c) the time by which this policy/programme is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES): (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per Policy Measures announced on 6/8/91 for promoting and strengthening of Small, Tiny and Village Industries, the Govt. will continue to support first generation entrepreneurs through training and will support their efforts. Industry Associations would also be encouraged to participate in this venture effectively.

(c) Towards implementation of the Policy Measures announced, it has been decided to recognise EDP Institutes established by voluntary organisations/non-Govt. organisations for getting registration with the Directorate of Industries in the category of small scale (industry related) service/business enterprises. They will be entitled to avail the benefits available to small scale industries unties their investment in fixed assets excluding land and building exceeds Rs. 5.00 lakhs. This decision has been

communicated to all the State Governments for implementation.

Small/Medium Industries with Foreign Collaboration

3120. SHRI ACHARLES: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have signed any agreements with some foreign countries for starting of major, medium and small scale industries in the country after the declaration of new economic policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the total amount of foreign investment involved/expected thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c). Technical/Financial collaboration agreements for setting up of industries are generally signed at the Industry level, and it is an on-going process. However, during the period from August '91 to land '93 a total number of 2237 foreign collaborations (both technical and financial) involving an investment of Rs. 5110 cross have been approved.

Production and Sale of Cotton

3121. SHRI SOBHANADRESWARA RAO VADDE: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the production of cotton in Andhra Pradesh during 1992-93;

(b) the quantity of cotton sold by the farmers; and

(c) whether the Cotton Corporation of