II. Terms of Reference

The Advisory Committee shall make recommendations to the Central Government regarding the article or class of articles to be reserved for exclusive production of handlooms. The guidelines for making such recommendations listing such articles or class of articles shall be as follows :--

- (a) the articles or class of articles which is being produced by handlooms for mass consumption;
- (b) the article or class of articles which is being produced trationally by handlooms;
- (c) the level of employment likely to be generated by the production of the article of class of articles referred to in class (a) or clause
 (b) exclusive by handlooms;
- (d) the production of interest of persons engaged in the handloom industry and the need for the continued maintenance of the industry; and
- (e) such other matters as the Advisory Committee may think fit.

Purchase of beef tallow by M/s. Hindustan Lever Limited

4963. SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA ; Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any action has been taken against M/s. Hindustan Lever Limited in respect of purchasing of beef tallow in an unauthorised manner and misutilising it in the manufacture of their products; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P.A. SANGMA): (a) and (b). Investigations have been taken up and show cause notices have been issued to M/s. Hindustan Lever Ltd. in respect of purchase of beef tallow imported unauthorisedly.

Rehabilitation Fund

4964. SHRI ANANTA PRASAD SETHI : Will the Minister of SUPPLY AND TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have formulated the details of the scheme to create a Rehabilitation Fund for giving relief to the workers of the textile industry;

(b) if so, what are the details; and

(c) when the scheme is proposed to start operating?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY AND TEX-TILES (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Efforts are being made to start the scheme as soon as possible

Target Fixed for Powerlooms & Handlooms in the Seventh Five Year Plan

4965. SHRI LAKSHMAN MALLICK: Will the Minister of SUPPLY AND TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have considered the appropriate targets in the Seventh Five Year Plan for powerlooms, handlooms and certain number of metres for mills:

(b) whether there is any possibility " in the handloom sector to generate additional employment;

(c) if so, the details regarding its progress and the extent to which it has helped in removing unemployment; and

(d) the present strength of persons State-wise employed and opportunities being created for part-time as well as -on regular basis employment?