

Development of Rural Industries in Haryana

6551. SHRI CHIRANJI LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of RURAL RECONSTRUCTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government have any scheme for the development of rural industries in Haryana; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI BALESHWAR RAM): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) The following schemes for the development of rural industries in Haryana are under operation:

(i) Industries component of the Integrated Rural Development Programme. This is a scheme launched by the Central Government. According to the present pattern, 100 families belonging to the target families of people below the poverty line are being identified every year for assistance in each development block. These are given training, credit subsidies and assistance for raw materials and marketing. The number of families benefited upto 31st August, 1980 was 2685.

(ii) Training of Rural Youth for Self Employment: This is another scheme launched by the Central Government to give vocational training to rural youth so as to enable them to take to self-employment. 40 youth between the ages of 18 and 35 are taken up from the identified target group families in each block. The number of youth trained upto February 1981 was 5628. Out of these, 2260 (upto August 1980) were reported to have become self-employed.

(iii) The District Industries Centres (DIC) programme was launched to provide a focal point for promotion of small cottage and village industries and to provide all services and support to the decentralised industrial sector under a single roof.

During the period from April, 1980 to January, 1981, 4598 units were set up in all the districts in Haryana providing additional employment to the extent of 14,022 persons.

(iv) Government of India has also formulated the Rural Artisans Programme (RAP) which now constitutes a part of the DIC programme. The programme envisages training for artisans in rural areas and provides subsidy for tool-kits and plant and equipment.

Works taken Under National Rural Employment Programme in Haryana

6552. SHRI CHIRANJI LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of RURAL RECONSTRUCTION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of works taken up by the Government of Haryana under the 'Food for Work' Programmes since the commencement of this programme; and

(b) the details of work done till now?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI BALESHWAR RAM): (a) and (b) A detailed statement regarding the work done in Haryana based on the reports received till date is enclosed.