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Thursday, 13th March, 1958.



The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the Clock

[MR. SPEAKER in the Chair]

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Small Scale Industries

*916. { Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shri Bhakt Darshan:
Shri Subodh Hansda:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether the provision of Rs. 61 crores made in the Second Five Year Plan for the development of small scale industries is being reduced due to shortage of country's resources; and

(b) if so, by how much?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Labour and Employment and Planning (Shri L. N. Mishra):

(a) No such decision has been taken so far.

(b) Does not arise.

Shri S. C. Samanta: May I know whether the National Small Scale Industries Development Corporation which has been formed, will spend the whole of this amount or a part of it?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): Rs. 61 crores are provided for the entire small-scale industries of which the Corporation is

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only a small part. It deals with hire-purchase and marketing of small-scale industries.

Shri S. C. Samanta: During the discussion of the second Five Year Plan, Dr. Ghosh of the Planning Commission informed us that Rs. 200 crores will be set apart for small-scale industries. May I know whether this amount mentioned by the hon. Minister is a part of it?

Shri Manubhai Shah: Out of Rs. 200 crores, Rs. 61 crores are for the small-scale industries, Rs. 59.5 crores for the handloom industry, Rs. 55.5 crores for the khadi and village industries; Rs. 9 crores for handicrafts and the rest for miscellaneous industries like coir, silk etc.

Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha: May I have an idea of the actual amount that has been so far utilised for the development of the small-scale industries and how far it has come to the expectations?

Shri Manubhai Shah: In the last two years, including the current year, the progress has been steady and every year we are increasing the provisions so as to consume the entire amount in the five years.

Shri Supakar: May I know what amount has been actually spent during the last two years?

Shri Manubhai Shah: Actually the main question relates to small-scale industries. But if the hon. Member is interested in the entire orbit of small-scale and village industries and the khadi commission, I can supply the information. As far as small-scale industries are concerned, last year the provision was about Rs. 9 crores and this year about Rs. 10.5 crores have been provided.

Shri Damani: May I know how the Small Industries Services Institute keeps a check on the proper utilisation of the loans advanced?

Shri Manubhai Shah: The Small Industries Services Institute is not for advancing loans. They are for providing services and the technical know-how to the small industries.

Shri Ramanathan Chettiar: May I know the data by which the Government defines small-scale industries?

Shri Manubhai Shah: At present the definition is less than Rs. 5 lakhs in the capital outlay and less than 50 people to be employed.

Shri Hem Barua: May I know the number of industrial estates so far started with Government assistance for the development of the small-scale industries and the financial assistance given so far?

Shri Manubhai Shah: Actually this does not arise out of this question. But as the hon. Member has asked, 51 industrial estates have been approved so far. The programme is to have 100 industrial estates.

Mr. Speaker: He is asking about estates relating to small-scale industries.

Shri Manubhai Shah: Yes, Sir; they are all relating to small-scale industries.

Shri Hem Barua: What about financial assistance?

Shri Manubhai Shah: The financial assistance is in the nature of loans to the State Governments

श्री म० सा० त्रिवेदी: कुछ राज्यों में हम काम के लिये इंडस्ट्रीज आफिसर्स मुकरर किये गये हैं कि वे स्माल स्केल इंडस्ट्रीज को बढ़ावा दें। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या एफेक्टिव काम करने के लिये सरकार ने कोई उपाय मोचा है क्योंकि बड़ा काम कुछ नहीं हो रहा है।

श्री मनुभाई शाह: जहाँ तक स्माल स्केल इंडस्ट्रीज का ताल्लुक है, लघु उद्योग राज्य सरकारों का विषय है और उस के लिये इंडस्ट्रीज आफिसर्स का एक्वाइंटमेंट बही लोग करने हैं। जहाँ तक सेक्टर का ताल्लुक है, केवल फाइने सल ऐमिस्ट्रेस हम देने हैं और जो इंडस्ट्रियल इन्स्टिट्यूट्स इन्स्टैब्लिश किये गये हैं, कारपोरेशन इन्स्टैब्लिश किये गये हैं, एस्टेट्स इन्स्टैब्लिश की गई हैं, उन के द्वारा हमदाद देते हैं।

श्री भक्त दर्शन: अभी संसदीय सचिव महोदय ने भूल प्रश्न के उत्तर में बताया कि इस पर अभी कोई निर्णय नहीं किया गया, तो क्या इस का यह अर्थ है कि इस पर कटौती करने का कोई प्रस्ताव विचाराधीन है? यदि विचाराधीन है तो किन कारणों से?

श्री मनुभाई शाह: जो मेरे कोलीग कह रहे थे उस का यह मतलब नहीं है कि कोई कटौती की उम्मीद है। किसी कटौती का विचार नहीं किया गया है, और होगा भी नहीं। ऐसा मेरा ख्याल है क्योंकि भारत सरकार लघु उद्योगों को बहुत ज्यादा ग्रहमियन देती है।

Hindi Lexicon

*917. **Shri Gajendra Prasad Sinha:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state the progress that has been made in the preparation of a Hindi Lexicon?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): All India Radio is preparing a lexicon mainly meant for use in its News Service. There is no immediate intention of publishing it. The work is progressing and, as it will have to be constantly revised and kept upto date it, will have to be considered a continuing work.

Shri Gajendra Prasad Sinha: May I know whether there is any committee to prepare it or the department itself is preparing it?