

Lesser Orders Received by Textile Machinery Manufacturing Industry

4735. SHRI K.T. KOSALRAM : Will the minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the textile machinery manufacturing industry has received orders to the tune of rupees 165 crores in the last twelve months as against the installed capacity to manufacture machinery worth rupees 507 crores annually;

(b) whether the National Textile Corporation mills have postponed the acceptance of deliveries or cancelled orders worth rupees 35 crores;

(c) whether the cooperative spinning mills which have received loans for modernisation from World Bank are prohibited from purchasing indigenous machinery; and

(d) if so, the manner in which Government plan to utilise better the existing capacity of this industry ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY (SHRI NIHAR' RANJAN LASKAR): (a) According to available information, the textile machinery manufacturing industry has received orders to the tune of Rs. 165 crores in the last 12 months against installed capacity to manufacture machinery worth rupees 507 crores annually;

(b) National Textile Corporation has been implementing its modernisation schemes in respect of nationalised textile units as per schedule and availability of funds. By and large, there has been no significant postponement/cancellation of orders placed by NTC with the Textile Machinery manufacturers except that in a few cases there has been some deferment, because of delay in sanction of projects.

(c) At present, no loans from World Bank are available to Cooperative Spinning Mills for modernisation.

(d) The Government have taken various measures to help the textile industry, which may also enable the textile machinery manufacturing industry to achieve better capacity utilisation.

लद्दाख में नियुक्त केन्द्रीय सरकार के कर्मचारियों को दिए जाने वाले भत्ते में वृद्धि

4736. श्री मोती भाई आर. चौधरी : क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या लद्दाख में तैनात केन्द्रीय सरकार के कर्मचारियों को वहां तैनात जम्मू और कश्मीर के कर्मचारियों की तुलना में कम भत्ता मिल रहा है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं;

(ग) क्या लद्दाख में अत्यधिक ठण्ड पड़ने और वहां विशेष प्रकार की बीमारियां होने के कारण लद्दाख में जीवन यापन महंगा है;

(घ) यदि हां, तो क्या उपरोक्त तथ्यों को ध्यान में रखते हुए वहां दिये जाने वाले भत्ते में देश के अन्य भागों में दिये जाने वाले भत्ते की तुलना में वृद्धि की जायेगी;

(ङ) क्या संचार तथा सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालयों के कर्मचारी कई वर्षों से यह मांग करते आ रहे हैं;

(च) यदि हां, तो भत्ते में वृद्धि न करने के क्या कारण हैं; और

(छ) क्या उक्त भत्ते में शीघ्र वृद्धि की जायेगी ?