

industries in the backward areas of Orissa during the years 1982 to 1984 (May 1984) :

Year	LI	IL
1982	25(15)	2 (Nil)
1983	12(8)	5 (Nil)
1984 (May '84)	3(Nil)	3 (Nil)

Figures in brackets pertain to No-Industry Districts.

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Nucleus Plant Programme in Orissa

796-YY. SHRI K. PRADHANI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether any nucleus plant programme was initiated in the backward areas of Orissa based on the Industrial policy statement of July, 1980 ;

(b) if so, which are these areas and the yardstick for selecting them and the broad details of the achievement of this plant programme so far ; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI PATTABHI RAMA RAO) : (a) to (c) The Government of Orissa had selected the following districts for identification of Nucleus Plant possibilities :

- (i) Bolāngir, (ii) Kalahandi,
(iii) Dhenkanal, (iv) Mayurbhanj,
(v) Puri.

The Central Government had appointed task forces for identification

of possible Nucleus Plants in these areas. The reports of the Task forces have been remitted to the State Government for detailed examination and necessary follow up action.

All the above mentioned districts except Puri are centrally declared backward districts.

Crisis in Paper Industry of West Bengal

796 Z. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Paper Industry in West Bengal is in shambles ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ; and

(c) the steps Government propose to take and to rejuvenate and modernise the old paper mills and make them work to full capacity thus providing employment to a large number of workers who had been thrown out of work ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI PATTABHI RAMA RAO) : (a) and (b) Some of the large integrated paper mills in West Bengal are faced with a variety of problems such as obsolescence of equipment, shortage of raw material, industrial disputes and liquidity constraints.

(c) The financial institutions have taken up schemes of rehabilitation/modernisation, envisaging renovation of plant and machinery to improve capacity utilisation and profitability.

Assistance to Leather Industry in West Bengal

796-ZZ, SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL : Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state :