

Affects of Communal Riots on Textile Industry in Bhiwandi and Bombay

956. SHRI ANAND SINGH : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the extent to which the recent communal riots in Bhiwandi, Bombay and other affected areas around Maharashtra, have adversely affected the textile industry in the country ; and

(b) the steps taken to restore normal production in the affected textile mills in the area ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR) : (a) and (b) The production of the textile mills in the areas is reported to be normal.

Observation made by the World Bank on the Size of IDA-VII

957. SHRI ANAND SINGH : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the World Bank has expressed disappointment at the inadequate size of the International Development Association VII ;

(b) if so, the details of the observations made by the World Bank in this regard ; and

(c) how far the aid from the World Bank under the IDA scheme to India is likely to be affected by the shortfall in the contributions to IDA-VII ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) and (b) Government has seen statements of World Bank officials expressing disappointment at the reduced size of IDA-VII and urging donor countries to increase availability of concessional aid through contribution to a supplementary fund.

(c) The share of recipient developing countries in the reduced IDA-VII remains

to be finalised though there are indications that India's share is likely to be reduced. However, Government are taking all possible steps to ensure an adequate share of IDA-funds.

Decision to Allow 100 Per Cent Export-Oriented Units to Import Capital Goods

958. SHRI ANAND SINGH : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have decided to allow 100 per cent export-oriented units to import capital goods upto two years from the date of issue of the letter of intent in accordance with the list of goods to be imported by the unit which is attached with the letter of intent ;

(b) the progress so far made in regard to establishment of units under the 100 per cent export-oriented schemes launched in 1980 ; and

(c) whether the scheme suffered from certain handicaps in the light of the recent liberalisation of import of capital goods, if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR) : (a) Yes, Sir

(b) Upto the end of March, 1984, forty nine 100% export oriented units were in production. Another 31 units are likely to commence production shortly.

(c) The import of capital goods by 100% export oriented units continues to be under OGL, and the Scheme does not suffer from any handicap on this account.

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