

range of the items covering the entire spectrum of industries and include various Chemical and Pharmaceutical items, Food and Beverages, Oils and Soaps, Plastic and moulded goods, specialised refractories, Crockerries, Bricks and Marble blocks, Cement pipes, Paper and Straw-board, Automobile parts, Agricultural machinery, Dairy machinery, Steel pipes and tubes, Radio Receivers and projectors, Safety Razor and Blades, Tin Containers, Wrist Watches, Bicycle and Bicycle parts, Gas Stoves, Domestic and Industrial Sewing Machines, Carbon, Brushes, Telephone, Switch Board, Lamps, Railway Electric Fans, ACSR/AAC Conductors, Cutlery and Table Wares etc.

(b) One hundred and fifteen cases involved import of Capital goods. The highest and the lowest import requirements for capital goods were respectively Rs. 65 lakhs and Rs. 5000/- and the average requirement worked out to Rs. 5.72 lakhs.

(c) Ninety six applications were rejected for various reasons such as items proposed to be manufactured were reserved for the small-scale sector, foreign exchange requirements were higher than the prescribed limits for registration, investments envisaged were less than Rs. 75 lakhs and, therefore, did not qualify for registration with DGTD, necessary information was not furnished etc.

Setting up of Bidi and Cigarette Industries in Bahraich (U. P.)

2813. SHRI B. R. SHUKLA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether raw material for the establishing of bidi/cigarette industries in the District of Bahraich (U.P.) is available in adequate quantities in the district ;

(b) whether in the absence of any scheme to manufacture bidi/cigarette, the existing raw material has to be diverted to far off places ;

(c) whether Government intend to examine the feasibility of establishing such an industry there ; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD) : (a) and (b). The State of Uttar Pradesh is growing tobacco mainly of the Hookkah variety. However, the State Government has been encouraging the production of Virginia tobacco also but its production in the State including the Bahraich district is still very negligible. There is already a cigarette factory at Saharanpur. The question of diverting the available tobacco production of Bahraich to far off places, therefore, does not arise.

(c) and (d). Bahraich is one of the districts in Uttar Pradesh which have been selected to qualify for the grant of concessional finance by the financial institutions. The financial institutions have already undertaken a study of the industrial potential of the State and the backward districts like Bahraich particularly. The scope of establishing various industries including the cigarette industry in this district would become clear only after the report of the joint study team of the financial institutions is available.

एलकीक एंसाडाउन एण्ड कम्पनी लिमिटेड
भावनगर (गुजरात) का बन्द होना

2814. श्री सरजू पांडे : क्या औद्योगिक विकास मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या गुजरात में भावनगर स्थित एलकीक एंसाडाउन एण्ड कम्पनी लिमिटेड बन्द हो गई है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो कितने मजदूर बेरोजगार हो गये हैं, उसके परिणामस्वरूप कितने काम के घंटे नष्ट हुए हैं तथा इसके बन्द होने के परिणामस्वरूप कितनी राशि का घाटा हुआ है ;

(ग) इस फर्म के बन्द होने के क्या कारण हैं ; और

(घ) इसको पुनः चालू करने के लिये सरकार क्या कार्यवाही कर रही है ?

औद्योगिक विकास मंत्रालय में उप-मन्त्री
(श्री सिद्धेश्वर प्रसाद) : (क) जी, हां ।