

**Allocation of Amount by Reserve Bank in Bihar for Development of Priority Industries**

9073. SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount proposed to be allocated by the Reserve Bank for the development of priority industries sponsored by the Industrial Development Corporation and the Leather Development Corporation in Bihar; and

(b) the amount given by the Reserve Bank of India to other States for similar developments?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YESHWANTRAO CHAVAN):

(a) and (b). The information to the extent available will be collected and placed on the table of the House.

**Grant of Exemption from Payment of Excise Duty by Units Functioning without Power**

9074. SHRI RANA BAHADUR SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of Government to give relief by exempting from payment of excise duty those manufacturing units which do not use power-operated machines;

(b) whether Government have also sympathetically considered the question of extending the exemption to readymade-garments trade; and

(c) if so, the broad features thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI K. R. GANESH): (a) At present, some of the excisable commodities manufac-

tured without the aid of power are already exempt from the levy of central excise duty. There is, however, no proposal under consideration of the Government to give a general relief of this nature to all excisable commodities.

(b) and (c). Readymade garments in the manufacture of which power is not used, do not attract any central excise duty. As such, the question of giving relief in excise duty in such cases, does not arise.

कृषि पुनर्वित्त निगम द्वारा मध्य प्रदेश, राजस्थान और गुजरात को दी गई धनराशि

9075. डा० लक्ष्मीनारायण पांडेय : क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) कृषि पुनर्वित्त निगम ने मध्य प्रदेश, राजस्थान और गुजरात को वर्ष 1971-72, 1972-73 और 1973-74 के दौरान विभिन्न छोटे तथा मध्यम श्रेणी की सिंचाई योजनाओं की क्रियान्विति के लिए कितनी धनराशि दी है ; और

(ख) विभिन्न राज्यों के पिछड़े क्षेत्रों की असमानताओं को दूर करने के लिए निगम ने क्या कार्यवाही की है ?

वित्त संचालक ने उप सत्री (सोमती सुशीला सिंहदेवी) : (क) निगम द्वारा योजनाओं के लिए दी गई रकम का व्यौरा इस प्रकार है :—

(करोड़ रुपयों में)

	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74
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गुजरात	2.48	25.89	5.67
मध्य प्रदेश	1.64	3.10	0.77
राजस्थान	0.78	1.32	1.21