

(b) if so, whether before giving such permission the effect of import of these items on cottage and small industries was examined;

(c) if so, the main features thereof; and

(d) the number of small industrial units closed till now after implementing the new Exim policy?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The decision to allow free import of 340 items has been taken view of the over all policy of phased removal of quantitative restrictions followed since June, 1991.

The list of these items has been prepared in consultation with the Administrative Ministries with a view to seeing that there is least injury to the domestic industry and more particularly to the small scale industry.

(d) Government has not received any report of this nature.

[English]

Assistance to Unemployed Youths

616. SHRI SADASHIVARAO DADOBHA MANDLIK:
SHRI ASHOK NAMDEO RAO MOHOL:
SHRI MADHAVRAO PATIL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some schemes are under implementation to provide financial assistance to the unemployed youths;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of youths so far been provided financial assistance under the Schemes during the last three years, State-wise; and

(d) the total financial assistance proposed to be provided during 1998-99 under the scheme; State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (BANKING, REVENUE AND INSURANCE) (SHRI KADAMBUR M.R. JANARTHANAN): (a) and (b) Presumably, the Hon'ble Members are referring to the Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana (PMRY) under which financial assistance is provided to the unemployed youth for sustained employment. The scheme was started during 1993-94. Youth between 18-35 years who are matric passed or failed or ITI passed or undergone Government sponsored technical courses for a minimum duration of 6 months and whose annual income does not exceed Rs.24,000 and upto Rs.24,000 per annum of parents of beneficiary and permanent resident in the area atleast for 3 years are eligible for assistance under this scheme. While 15% of the project cost subject to a ceiling of Rs.7,500 is given as subsidy, the beneficiary would have to provide 5% of the project cost as margin money. Under this scheme, loans for projects costing upto Rs. 1 lakhs are provided as per the interest rate directives issued by RBI. The assets created out of loan will be the security and no third party guarantee/collateral is necessary under this scheme. The loan is repayable within 3 to 7 years after initial moratorium of 6-18 months.

(c) Information indicating state-wise details of the number of youths who have been provided financial assistance under PMRY during the last three years is given in the enclosed Statements I, II and III.

(d) Targets are not fixed in terms of financial assistance under the scheme. However, physical targets for the current year have not been indicated to the banks.

Statement - I

Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana for Educated Unemployed Youth (PMRY)

Programme Year 1995-96

Name of the State/ Union Territory	No. of cases Target	No. of cases Sanctioned	No. of cases Disbursed
1	2	3	4
Andhra Pradesh	31900	29795	24081
Arunachal Pradesh	300	256	226
Assam	10125	9039	7786
Bihar	22150	17100	12738
Gujarat	8500	10477	8919
Goa	550	514	409

1	2	3	4
Haryana	7480	9026	7268
Himachal Pradesh	2100	2570	2351
Jammu & Kashmir	3152	2657	1692
Karnataka	17700	15895	13445
Kerala	16000	14236	12651
Maharashtra	35900	40122	31938
Manipur	4000	1278	1149
Madhya Pradesh	27058	30592	23325
Meghalaya	550	534	391
Mizoram	250	250	215
Nagaland	300	295	292
Orissa	8310	7941	5961
Punjab	15000	15312	12369
Rajasthan	14000	10017	7073
Sikkim	260	161	144
Tripura	1300	1433	695
Tamil Nadu	22870	18312	14999
Uttar Pradesh	42613	34498	28820
West Bengal	25950	11635	7384
NCT of Delhi	1550	4337	2554
Andaman & Nicobar	100	82	72
Chandigarh	150	177	162
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	150	188	177
Daman & Diu	100	44	29
Lakshadweep	50	35	35
Pondicherry	500	404	341
Not Specified		11	7
All India	321360	289233	229698

Statement -II**Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana for Educated Unemployed Youth (PMRY)****Programme Year 1996-97**

Name of the State/ Union Territory	No. of Cases Target	No. of cases Sanctioned	No. of cases Disbursed
Andhra Pradesh	31900	28319	19336
Arunachal Pradesh	450	296	287
Assam	15000	8626	7355
Bihar	22150	17354	14343
Gujarat	8500	9505	8447
Goa	550	485	398
Haryana	7200	8260	6370
Himachal Pradesh	2100	2409	2250
Jammu & Kashmir	3500	1256	710
Karnataka	17700	15908	11897
Kerala	15000	14599	12708
Maharashtra	35900	37333	31201
Manipur	3000	2047	1527
Madhya Pradesh	27050	31548	22091
Meghalaya	825	495	445
Mizoram	375	225	197
Nagaland	450	317	301
Orissa	8250	7361	4469
Punjab	8600	9817	8063
Rajasthan	10400	10189	7396
Sikkim	200	125	102
Tripura	1950	1376	626
Tamil Nadu	21800	15294	11076
Uttar Pradesh	35813	33622	27113
West Bengal	22900	3742	6368
NCT of Delhi	4550	1883	1038
Andaman & Nicobar	100	81	59
Chandigarh	150	148	117
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	150	173	131
Daman & Diu	100	24	19
Lakshadweep	50	36	36
Pondicherry	500	284	211
Not Specified		18	13
All India	307163	260155	206700

Statement - III**Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana for Education Unemployed Youth (PMRY)****Programme year 1997-98 (Provisional)**

Name of the State/ Union Territory	No. of Cases Target	No. of Cases Sanctioned	No. of Cases Disbursed
Andhra Pradesh	34200	22121	11405
Arunachal Pradesh	300	117	26
Assam	13400	5233	1210
Bihar	21500	12358	6606
Haryana	6300	5927	3130
Gujarat	12600	9754	7898
Goa	600	305	205
Himachal Pradesh	2300	2297	1748
Jammu & Kashmir	3500	2384	1157
Karnataka	22000	14392	6829
Kerala	16000	8958	6330
Maharashtra	42600	34977	24856
Madhya Pradesh	31500	28553	10738
Meghalaya	550	251	84
Mizoram	400	11	4
Nagaland	450	58	5
Orissa	9250	6429	700
Punjab	9000	8525	4864
Rajasthan	14300	11583	5284
Sikkim	100	62	23
Tripura	1300	404	124
Tamil Nadu	27700	13318	7223
Uttar Pradesh	45200	33765	21342
West Bengal	23000	3804	1935
NCT of Delhi	4700	963	505
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	100	47	37
Chandigarh	200	161	70
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	50	75	67
Daman & Diu	50	31	30
Lakshadweep	50	38	26
Pondicherry	500	363	160
Not Sepecified		3272	1996
All India	345000	230555	126842