

*[English]***Products of KVIC**

676. SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the new products proposed to be launched by Khadi and Village Industries Commission at its outlets across the country;

(b) the turnover of KVIC for the last three years;

(c) whether the KVIC has finalised the village products to be introduced;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the safety matches produced by village industry is likely to be included in KVIC's products?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SIKANDER BAKHT): (a) No new product is being proposed to be launched by Khadi & Village Industries Commission at its outlets across the country.

(b) The cumulative sales effected under Khadi & Village Industries in the last three years are as under:—

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Sales Under KVIC		
	Khadi	V.I.	Total
1995-96	567.37	3861.75	4429.12
1996-97	581.11	4232.90	4814.01
1997-98	745.90	4319.38	5065.28

(c) and (d) In view of (a) above, Question does not arise.

(e) Yes, Sir. KVIC has already included the production of safety matches produced by village industries as one of the KVI products.

(c) whether the Government have ascertained the reasons for increase in the subsidy amount; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith excess amount of subsidy than the allocated one given, due to each of these reasons, separately?

Supply on Food and Fertilizers

677. PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA:
DR. SUSHIL INDORA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the subsidy provided on food and fertilizers during 1998-99 expected to be more than the provision made in the budget in this regard;

(b) if so, the excess amount of subsidy on food and fertilizers, separately;

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YASHWANT SINHA): (a) to (d) The revised estimates of 1998-99 will be presented to the Parliament tomorrow i.e. on 27th February, 1999 as part of the General Budget 1999-2000. Hon'ble Member may kindly await the presentation of the Budget.

Development of Silk Worms

678. SHRI TEJVEER SINGH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have set up training camps to educate the farmers to develop high quality eggs of silk worms;