[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.

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:

- (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?

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;