GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTR LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTR be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned `SSIs would take advantage of globalisation` appearing in the Observer on November 14,2000;
- (b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein;
- (c) whether the Government have come out with any formula for the small scale industries to take advantage of globalisation;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the manner in which small scale sector propose to compete with large multinational companies having advantage of the economies;
- (f) the funds likely to be provided to SSIs?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGE RURAL INDUSTRIES (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The news item is based on the inaugural speech of the Minister of State for Small Scale Industries and Agro and Rural Industries for the International Conference on Micro Enterprises on 11th November, 2000 in New Delhi.
- (c) to (e): The Government has recently announced a comprehensive policy package to strengthen the small scale and enhance its competitiveness both domestically and globally. The policy package includes fiscal incentives, easier access to credit, availability of collateral free composite loan upto Rs. 25 lakhs, capital subsidy for technology upgradation and support for improved infrastructure.
- (f): The Central Government has been running various plan schemes namely, Integrated Infrasturcture Development Scheme, Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme for Technology Upgradation, ISO9000 Certification Scheme etc. under which funds are made available for SSI development as per the prescribed parameters of the schemes.