

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4787
ANSWERED ON:18.04.2001
REPRESENTATION FROM HONEY MANUFACTURERS
CHANDRAKANT BHAURAO KHAIRE

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

- (a) whether Government have received representation from honey manufacturers about their various grievances;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) Government's reaction thereto?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Representations have been received by the Khadi & Village Industries Commission (KVIC) from individuals/institutions engaged in bee-keeping activities. The representations are of general nature seeking assistance in the form of funds, marketing support, etc.

For promotion of bee-keeping industry, the KVIC is implementing a UNDP assisted sub-programme which is aimed at developing a comprehensive strategy to increase honey production which will help in enhancing income for bee-hunters, farmers, entrepreneurs. This programme would support the existing programme of the KVIC for the development of bee-keeping through identified clusters and micro-entrepreneurs.