

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

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FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR SSI
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Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated by the Union Government for the development of small scale industries in the country, state-wise, particularly in Bihar during the Ninth Five Year Plan; and

(b) the small scale industries provided assistance by the Government so far during the year 1998-99 and year 1999-2000?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO RURAL INDUSTRIES

(SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) In the Ninth Five Year Plan, an amount of Rs. 4304.00 crores has been allocated by the Union Government for development of small scale & cottage industries sector in the country, including the State of Bihar. Funds are allocated scheme/programme-wise and not State-wise.

(b) The small scale industries in the country who sought for assistance from the Union Government during 1998-99 and 1999-2000 so far have been provided with assistance in techno-managerial field, consultancy, project profiles, extension services, quality control, export promotion, human resource development, technology upgradation, credit, etc. in addition to the general package of assistance announced by the Government of India from time to time for development and promotion of this sector, through respective Government institutions/offices/agencies. Besides these, institutional support in respect of Research & Development, Infrastructural support schemes and tax benefits have also been extended to the Small Scale Industries Sector.