

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:531
ANSWERED ON:29.08.2001
SEMINARS BY SISI
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Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Small Industries Service Institute is conducting a number of seminars and training courses in different parts of the country in the Information technology field;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith its objectives;
- (c) whether high charges are being levied by the Small Industries Service Institute for such courses;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e) the number of persons who had availed of the benefits of such courses during each of the last three years; and
- (f) the steps proposed to be taken by the government to make such courses relevant and widely available?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL INDUSTRIES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING, DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONERS WELFARE OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) to (f): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (f) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 531 BY P UMMAREDDY VENKATESWARLU, M.P. FOR ANSWER ON 29.08.2001

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Training is being provided in Information Technology by 12 Small Industries Service Institutes (SISIs) in the country. The topics covered in these include web designing, Internet, E-Commerce, Networking, office automation, computer hardware etc. The objective behind such courses is to develop the skills of persons serving the SSI's or those intending to seek employment in the sector.

(c) & (d): The fee charged for the Seminar/Courses varies according to the duration of the course, expertise of the faculty, infrastructure needed, course material etc. but is always kept at a reasonable rate.

(e): Training courses on Information Technology were introduced for the first time in SISIs in the year 1999-2000. The number of persons trained during 1999-00 and 2000-01 is 3,652 and 4,368 respectively.

(f): Courses are designed keeping in view the needs of the SSI Sector and emerging trends in Information Technology and more field level institutions are being encouraged to take up these courses.