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AGRO RURAL INDUSTRIES DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES FOR BIHAR

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

- (a) the details of the agro and rural industries development schemes under implementation in Bihar at present; and
- (b) the details of increase in production and employment generation registered in these industries during the last two years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI KARIYA MUNDA)

(a) : The Government through Khadi And Village Industries Commission (KVIC) is implementing Rural Employment Generator Programme (REGP) throughout the country including the state of Bihar. Under this scheme the KVIC provides margin money assistance at the rate of 25% of the project cost upto Rs. 10 lakhs and for the project above Rs. 10 lakhs and upto Rs. 25 lakhs rate of margin money is 25% of rs. 10 lakhs plus 10% on remaining cost of the project. In the case of weaker sections viz. SC/ST/Women/Physically Handicapped/Ex-Servicemen and Minority Community beneficiary/institutions and for hill border and tribal areas, North Eastern Region, Sikkim, Andaman & Nicobar Island, Lakshadweep, the margin money grant is 30% of the project cost upto Rs. 10 lakhs. Under the scheme, the beneficiary is required to contribute 10% of the project cost. In case of SC/ST and other weaker sections, beneficiary's contribution is 5% of the project cost. This scheme is being implemented through Public Sector Banks, Regional Rural Banks and on selective basis through Cooperative Banks and Private Sector Scheduled Commercial Banks. Balance funds for the project are provided by banks in the form of term loan.

(b) : The details of production and cumulative employment generated under Khadi And Village Industries sector in respect of Bihar is given as under :-

Year Production (Rs. In lakhs) Employment (Persons in lakhs)

1999-2000	19035.43	3.26
2000-2001	18200.21	2.84