GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2976 ANSWERED ON:09.12.2002 GUEST HOUSES OF KVIC UMMAREDDY VENKATESWARLU

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

- (a) whether Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) hasbeen maintaining a large number of guest houses all over the country for use by its senior officers and functionaries at all levels;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and location-wise;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to reduce such expenditure on guest houses at different places;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) the measures proposed to reduce such expenditure of KVIC?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRO & RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI NIKHIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY)

- (a) & (b): No, Sir. However, the Khadi and Village Industries Commission does maintain Guest Houses at Mumbai, Pune, Nasik, Dahanu (Maharashtra), Delhi and Banglore.
- (c): Yes, Sir. The expenditure on Guest Houses is normally recovered from the Guests/ occupants through room tariff/ service charges.
- (d): Does not arise.
- (e): Room tariff/ other service charges are revised from time to time to take care of increase in expenditure. The Government has also directed the KVIC to close down its Guest House in Neeti Bagh, Delhi as the utility of the Guest House was not felt justified. Accordingly, the KVIC has closed down this Guest House. The Government has also directed the KVIC to initiate appropriate steps to close all such Guest Houses which are not financially justified and optimally utilized.