

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4731  
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PROMOTION OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES IN ORISSA  
ANANTA NAYAK

**Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government have a proposal to revamp the District Industry Centres in the country to promote small scale industries;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government propose to lay emphasis on the establishment of mineral based small scale units in Orissa; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH-EASTERN REGION(SHRI SIKDAR)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): In view of (a) above, does not arise.

(c) & (d): Small Scale Industries (SSIs) are set up in the Private Sector. The industries selected for setting up by an entrepreneur depend upon the viability of the project and his own judgment about the likelihood of the success of that item. Availability of local raw materials including minerals, etc., are among important factors which govern the location of industries in any area. The role of the Government is to facilitate and support the promotion and development of Small Scale Industries. According to Orissa State Profile (March, 2002) prepared by the Small Industries Service Institute, Cuttack, there is potential for development of mineral based small scale industries such as granite polishing, stone crushing, graphite crucibles, hydrated lime, mini cement plant, chrome beneficiation, quartz calcinations, coal based industries, fire clay bricks, refractory files etc., in the State of Orissa.