

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

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EMPLOYMENT GENERATION BY KVIC
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Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Khadi and Village Industries Commission has proposed to generate employment for over 65 lakh persons during the year 2003-2004;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith State-wise break up of employment generation;
- (c) whether the Union Government propose to generate more employment opportunities in Tamil Nadu by keeping in mind the severe drought that affected the State; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI SANGHPRIYA GAUTAM)

- (a): No, Sir. However, the total employment generation by Khadi and Village Industries Commission in the Khadi and Village Industries sector upto 31.03.2003 was about 66 lakhs and this year 4 lakhs additional employment is expected to be generated.
- (b): The State-wise details of additional employment generation during the year 2003-04 is given at Annexure-I.
- (c): Yes, Sir.
- (d): The Union Government keeping in mind the severe drought in Tamil Nadu, has enhanced target under the Rural Employment Generation Programme. Against the 764 projects financed which created employment opportunities for 11000 persons in 2002-03, 1122 projects have been targeted to be set up during 2003-04, creating employment opportunities for 17,615 persons.