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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:887 ANSWERED ON:01.03.2000 RECOMMENDATION OF ABID HUSSAIN COMMITTEE MOHAN RAWALE

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

(a) the major recommendations of Abid Hussain Committee in Small Scale Industries;

(b) the number of recommendations implemented/to be implemented;

(c) whether the Government propose to dereserve more items in the small scale industry sector; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for dereserving these items?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGF RURAL INDUSTRIES (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) & (b): The major recommendations of the Abid Hussain Committee, inter alia, include enactment of a separate law for small enterprises, inclusion of service enterprises in the SSI fold, enhancement of investment limit for SSI units, promotion of technology development, further streamlining of the credit delivery systems and dereservation of items reserved for exclusive manufacture in the small scale sector. The recommendations have been broadly accepted barring a few such as, enhancement of investment limit to Rs. 30 million and abolition of SSI reservation.

(c) & (d): The issue of reservation/dereservation of items for exclusive manufacture in the SSI sector is examined on a continual basis by the Advisory Committee on Reservation, which has been specifically constituted for this purpose under the provisions of the Industrial (Development & Regulation) Act, 1951. Addition/deletion/change in nomenclature of items in the reservation list is made from time to time based on the recommendations of the Advisory Committee.