

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6775

ANSWERED ON:10.05.2000

SICK SSI UNITS

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

- (a) whether a large number of Small Scale Industries are falling sick;
- (b) if so, the number of such industries state-wise and particularly in Maharashtra, Orissa and Rajasthan;
- (c) whether the Government have assessed the causes of such sickness;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken to survive these Industries?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): As per the latest data compiled by the Reserve Bank of India, the number of sick small scale industries as at the end of March, 1999 was 3,06,221. The number of sick units as a percentage of total SSI units is less than 10%. The State-wise data including those for Maharashtra, Orissa and Rajasthan States on sick small scale industries as at the end of March, 1999 are given in the Annexure.

(c) & (d): The incidence of sickness in the SSI sector is due to various factors such as inadequacy of credit, marketing problems, managerial inadequacies, infrastructural problems, technological problems etc.

(e): The Government is fully seized of the problem of industrial sickness amongst the SSI units and has taken various measures to facilitate timely identification and rehabilitation of potentially viable sick industries, which inter-alia, includes institutional mechanism in the form of State Level Inter Institutional Committees, special rehabilitation cells in banks and State financial institutions and elaborate guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India for extending rehabilitation assistance to eligible units.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.6775 FOR ANSWER ON 10-5-2000

**STATE-WISE DATA ON SICK SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES**

State/Union Territory    At the end of March 1999

Assam	10586
Meghalaya	447
Mizoram	40
Bihar	26293
Arunachal Pradesh	116
West Bengal	146182
Nagaland	166
Manipur	5237
Orissa	10134
Sikkim	28
Tripura	6914
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	25
Uttar Pradesh	17320
Delhi	3789
Punjab	3551
Haryana	3180
Chandigarh	187
Jammu & Kashmir	630
Himachal Pradesh	1103
Rajasthan	12835
Gujarat	4170

Maharashtra	13373
Daman & Diu	13
Goa	216
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	24
Madhya Pradesh	6808
Andhra Pradesh	6260
Karnataka	4342
Lakshadweep	0
Tamil Nadu	11408
Kerala	10074
Pondicherry	770
Total	306221