

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3572  
ANSWERED ON:16.08.2000  
SETTING UP OF SSIS WITHIN BODOLAND TERRITORY  
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**Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government have prepared any action-plan to set up some agro and forest based rural and small scale industries on the northern bank of the river Brahmaputra with special reference to most backward and deprived and neglected Bodoland Territory in order to create more employment opportunities and jobs so as to absorb thousands of unemployed Bodo Tribal youths of the concerned region in question;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the quantum of proposed investment for the above action plan;
- (e) the quantum of investment in the rest of areas of Assam as on today; and
- (f) the quantum of total investment in the North-Eastern Region in the method of taking all-out efforts to uplift the N.E. Region on the sector of Small Scale Industries as on today?

**Answer**

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

- (a): Yes, Sir. The Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) has prepared an Action Plan.
- (b): As per the Action Plan employment opportunities for about 26000 persons are expected to be generated under various KVI programmes. The industries/activities identified under this Action Plan are:
- i) Traditional Silk Spinning & Weaving,  
ii) Bee-Keeping,  
iii) Paddy Processing,  
iv) Carpentry/Blacksmithy,  
v) Vegetable Oil,  
vi) Cane & Bamboo, etc.
- (c): In view of above, does not arise.
- (d): An amount of Rs. 200 lakhs has been earmarked.
- (e): During 1999-2000 financial year, the KVIC disbursed Rs. 0.77 lakhs as grant and Rs. 14.51 lakhs as loan to the State of Assam.
- (f): The following table indicates the State-wise grant and loan released to 7 States of North Eastern region during the year 1999-2000:-

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Name of State	Grant	Loan
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Arunachal Pradesh	0.50	
Assam	0.77	14.51
Manipur	169.70	255.62
Meghalaya	6.50	
Mizoram	155.74	142.82
Nagaland	5.38	4.17
Tripura	1.91	3.05

