

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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ASSISTANCE TO RURAL ARTISANS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to allot permanent shops to rural artisans in capital Delhi to exhibit and publicise their art;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to launch any loan scheme to provide economic assistance to rural artisans; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

- (a) & (b) No, Sir. However, the Government propose to allot 50 permanent stalls to be constructed in the Rural Development Pavillion at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi to State Governments on a rotational basis to be used for exhibition and demonstratia sale of products made by rural artisans.
- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Question does not arise.