

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF INDUSTRIES IN RURAL AND BACKWARD AREAS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to promote industries especially in rural and backward regions of the country in public and private sectors;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of the proposals received by the Union Government from State Governments in this regard; and
- (d) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a) to (d): After the announcement of new Industrial Policy in 1991, decisions for investment have been left to the commercial perception of the entrepreneurs. The Government acts only as facilitator. The State Governments are primarily responsible for industrial development in their States. The Union Government supplements their efforts through various schemes launched by it with a view to promoting industrialization in industrially backward areas of the country under which financial support for improving the quality of industrial infrastructure is extended by the Union Government.