

of projects is given in the following table:—

Sl. No.	State	Expected increase in generation of energy during 1978-79 (in million units)
Northern Region		
1.	Chandigarh	34
2.	Delhi	—
3.	Haryana	2191
4.	Himachal Pradesh	304
5.	Jammu and Kashmir	533
6.	Punjab	3595
7.	Rajasthan	1380
8.	Uttar Pradesh	6153
9.	Central Projects	1083
Western Region		
10.	Gujarat	3340
11.	Madhya Pradesh	2473
12.	Maharashtra	3168
Southern Region		
13.	Andhra Pradesh	4221
14.	Karnataka	1250
15.	Kerala	2020
16.	Tamil Nadu	489
17.	Central Project (Kul-pakkam)	822
Eastern Region		
18.	Bihar	1341
19.	Damodar Valley Corporation	612
20.	Orissa	70
21.	West Bengal	1302
North-Eastern Region		312
Total		36793

Development of Small Scale Industries in Backward Areas

*567. SHRI RAGUNANDAN LAL BHATIA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY and Civil Supplies be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are thinking of new incentives for small scale industrial units in the country;

(b) whether the new incentives would give a new thrust to the development of small scale units in backward areas; and

(c) whether the collective impact of these new incentives will help in the reduction of the cost of production and accelerate the growth of small industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI A. C. GEORGE): (a) and (b). Several incentives and facilities are given for promotion of small industries from time to time depending upon the requirements of this sector and availability of resources. No new incentives are being contemplated at present. Government had appointed a committee to review and examine the backward area development programme so that a suitable strategy could be evolved for a development programme for small scale industries in backward areas. The Committee had submitted its report and the recommendations of the Committee are being considered by Government.

(c) It is expected that the impact of the various existing incentives would help small industries reduce their cost of production and accelerate their growth.

Proposals made by Chairman of National Committee on Science and Technology Working Group on De-salination

*569. SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state—