

[*Translation*]

Setting up of Paper Mill in Nawada,  
Bihar

\*58. SHRI KUNWAR RAM :  
Will the Minister of INDUSTRY  
AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased  
to state :

(a) whether it is Government's  
policy to set up one industry in each  
district;

(b) whether Government propose  
to set up a paper mill in Kauakil in  
district Nawada where necessary raw  
material is available; and

(c) if so, the time by which it  
will be set up ?

[*English*]

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN  
THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND  
COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF  
MOHAMMAD KHAN) : (a) : To Pro-  
mote balanced regional development,  
various fiscal and financial incentives  
are offered by the Government for  
setting up of industrial units in  
backward areas.

(b) and (c) : The Central Govern-  
ment has no proposal to set up a paper  
mill in District Nawada. However,  
a unit in the private sector for manu-  
facture of 3,000 tonnes per annum of  
straw board has been registered with  
Directorate General of Technical  
Development in July, 1984.

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SHRI KUNWAR RAM : Mr.  
Speaker, Sir, late Shrimati Indira  
Gandhi had announced during her  
tenure as Prime Minister that an indus-  
try would be set up in each backward  
district. I want to know whether  
Government still adhere to this policy  
or not. The Hon. Minister has not  
clearly stated in his reply as to whether  
the late Prime Minister had made such  
an announcement and whether that

policy is still being followed. I want  
to know whether the Hon. Minister  
tried to gather information that paper  
mills can be run with the raw material  
available there. A paper mill should be  
set up in the district so that the district  
can benefit by using the raw material  
available there.

SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD  
KHAN : Mr. Speaker, Sir, Govern-  
ment is interested in rapid and balanced  
industrialisation. Various schemes are  
being implemented with this objective in  
view. We are particularly interested in  
implementing such schemes in indus-  
trially backward areas. Special  
attention is being paid towards the  
districts or areas where industrialisation  
has not taken place under the scheme.  
The Central Investment Subsidy  
Scheme, Transport Subsidy Scheme  
and Concessional Finance Scheme were  
reviewed on 14.12.83 and these schemes  
will continue upto 31st March, 1985.  
All these schemes are meant to speed up  
industrialisation so that backward areas  
can be developed.

So far as Nawada district is concern-  
ed, Hon. Member has said that raw  
material is available there. Mr.  
Speaker, Sir, decision is not taken  
keeping in view only one district. The  
target fixed for the 6th Five Year Plan  
for the manufacture of paper has  
already been exceeded so far as capacity  
installation is concerned. I have already  
stated in my main reply that a unit  
has already been registered with  
D.G.T.D. insofar as this district is  
concerned. According to the infor-  
mation made available by the Govern-  
ment of Bihar, Ashok Paper Mills  
and Thakur Paper Mills are facing  
closure because raw material is not  
available there. Licences for setting  
up paper mills at other places are issued  
keeping in view the availability of raw  
material and it is on that basis only  
that the capacity is sanctioned.

SHRI KUNWAR RAM : Mr.  
Speaker, Sir, it is a pity that a factory  
is set up at a place where raw

material is not available and it is not set up at a place where raw material is available. I had sought information in this regard during the last Session also. At that time, Government had stated that factories had been set up at other places. Factories are located in developed areas and Government is trying to meet their requirements insofar as raw material is concerned. Government should accede to my request so that I am in a position to discharge my duties as a representative of my constituency.

**SHRI ARIF MOHAMMED KHAN :** This is my reply in regard to the units already set up. The suggestion given by Hon. Member will be fully taken care of at the time of sanctioning any fresh capacity in future.

**SHRIMATI USHA VARMA :** Mr. Speaker, Sir, a proposal to set up a paper mill in Lakhimpur-Kheri has already been accepted, but no follow-up action has so far been taken. I want to know from the Hon. Minister whether it has been reviewed.

**SHRI ARIF MOHAMMOD KHAN :** Mr. Speaker, Sir, I have no information available with me about it.

**SHRI MANVENDER SINGH :** Mr. Speaker, Sir, the policy of the Government is to set up industries in each district to promote industrialisation in rural areas and provide jobs to more and more people. An oil refinery has been set up in Mathura, but most of the jobs available in the refinery were of technical nature as a result of which the chances of employment of the local people in the refinery have been reduced. I request the Hon. Minister to set up job-oriented industries in the area so that more and more people can be provided employment.

**SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN :** Government is interested in rapid industrialisation particularly in backward areas. Government also want that

production should gradually increase so that more and more people can be provided employment. If any definite suggestion is made by the Hon. Member, that will also be considered.

**SHRI V. TULSIRAM :** Raw material required for manufacturing paper is available in abundance in Achhempet taluka of Mehboobnagar district in Andhra Pradesh and it is sent to other places from there. I would like to know whether Government propose to set up a paper factory there ?

**SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN :** Government has no such proposal at present.

**MR. SPEAKER :** I have recollected something. Before Question No. 59 relating to Ratnagiri is taken up, I would like to know from the Professor as to when he is going to fulfil his promise ?

**PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE :** I have once fulfilled; now again I will fulfil it.

**MR. SPEAKER :** That has already been digested.

[English]

#### Central Assistance for Development of Tourist Centres in Maharashtra

\*59. **PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE :** Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Sindhudurg and Ratnagiri Districts of the Konkan region of Maharashtra with their beautiful natural surroundings of the West Coast, provide an ideal site for tourist centres; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to give assistance to develop tourist centres in this region that are expected to fetch foreign exchange through growing tourism ?