

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE) (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) The total amount sanctioned and the amount made available to Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) during 1990-91 under non-plan administrative expenditure was Rs. 15.00 Crores.

(b) The actual expenditure incurred by KVIC during 1990-91 was Rs. 20.41 Crores.

(c) to (e). According to KVIC, the excess expenditure incurred was not for purchase of vehicles and creation of higher posts but because of sanction of additional instalments of dearness Allowance and extension of pensionary benefits to its employees irrespective of their date of retirement, consequent to Court orders.

Employment Opportunities in Small Scale Sector

254. SHRI HANNAN MOLLAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have set any targets for enhancement of employment opportunities in the small scale Sector ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the target of exports by this sector during the current plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES) AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE) (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) to (c). At the end of VIII plan, this sector is targeted to provide employment opportunities to 150 Persons. The additional employment to be generated is targeted to be 24.50 lakhs during the Eighth Plan period. Exports from this sector are

targeted to reach Rs. 20000 crores at the end of the VIII Five Year Plan.

Per Capita Annual Consumption Growth

255. SHRI RUPCHAND MURMU: Will the MINISTER OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the per capita annual consumption growth in Eighth Plan period in view of the projected growth rate of 3.8 percent, per year for goods and services available for domestic consumption?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI SUKHRAM): (a) According to the Eighth Five Year Plan document the growth rate of gross domestic product (at factor cost) is expected to be 5.6 per cent over the Eighth Plan. In per capita terms it is projected to grow at 3.8 per cent assuming a population growth of 1.8 per cent per annum. Private final consumption expenditure is projected to grow at the rate of 5.3 per cent per annum which corresponds to a growth of 3.5 per cent per annum in domestic per capita consumption.

[Translation]

National Resources Centres for Rural Sanitation

256. SHRI SURENDRA PAL PATHAK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any suggestion from any State Government, voluntary organisation or any other social organisations for setting up of National