

Setting up of Industries in States of North Eastern Region

10089. SHRI AJOY BISWAS : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) the number of letters of intent issued to entrepreneurs during the last five years to set up industries in different States of North Eastern Region ; State-wise ;

(b) the number out of them which have

come forward for setting up of industries in the region ; and

(c) whether it is a fact that private sector is not interested to invest capital in the North Eastern region because of the risk of loss ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI) : (a) The following number of letters of intent were issued during the last five years to set up industries in different States of North Eastern Zone :—

States	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982
Arunachal Pradesh	—	—	—	1	1
Assam	4	—	2	7	5
Manipur	—	—	—	—	—
Meghalaya	—	1	—	11	4
Mizoram	—	—	—	—	—
Nagaland	—	—	—	6	1
Tripura	—	—	—	—	—
Sikkim	—	—	—	—	1

(b) Out of the above 44 letters of intent granted during 1978 to 1982, 3 letters of intent have been converted into industrial licences and 4 have been treated as lapsed (as on 31.3.83).

(c) Setting up of industries depends *inter-alia* upon the availability of infrastructural facilities like power, water, transport, skilled man-power, raw materials, etc. Government have always tried to encourage industrial investment in these areas. Recently, all districts in these states have been included in Category 'A' of Backward districts/areas which will be entitled to special incentives, including 25% capital subsidy.

On-going Industrial Projects in N.E. Region

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(a) the names of the various on-going industrial projects in the North Eastern region ; and

(b) the progress of these projects ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI) : (a) and (b). A Statement is attached.

Statement

Statement of On-going Industrial Projects in North Eastern Region

1. Tezu Mini Cement Plant Arunachal Pradesh (30 TPD).	To commence production by Mid 1983.
2. Wazeho Mini Cement Plant Nagaland (50 TPD).	To be commissioned by end of 1984.
3. Hundung Mini Cement Plant Manipur (50 TPD).	To be commissioned by end of 1984.
4. Umrangshu Mini Cement Plant Assam (200 TPD)	To be completed by 1985-86.
5. Kumarghat Lime Pozzolana Plant, Tripura (12 TPD).	To be completed by early 1984.
6. Establishment of Muga Nursery in Assam.	To be completed in 1984-85.
7. Oak Nurseries Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur and Mizoram.	To be completed in 1984-85.
8. Preservation of Oak-Tassar-Seed Cocon.	To be completed in 1984-85.
9. Establishment of Grainage-cum-Training Centres.	Scheme will be completed in 1984-85.
10. Expansion of Eri Seed Grainage of Nongpoh (Meghalaya)	To be completed in 1984-85.
11. Establishment of Mulberry Silk Reeling Unit in Assam.	To be completed in 1984-85.
12. Expansion of Silk Reeling Unit in Tripura.	To be completed in 1984-85.
13. Establishment of Mulberry Nursery-cum-Chowki Rearing Centres.	12 Nurseries were started in 1978 to 1980. Proposed outlay for 1983-84 is Rs. 7.50 lakhs.
14. Nagaland Pulp and Paper Project.	Started Production in July, 1982.
15. Nowgong Paper Project, Assam.	To be commissioned by March, 1984.
16. Cachar Paper Project, Assam.	To be commissioned by October, 1984.
17. Namrup III Fertiliser Project, Assam.	To be completed by Nov., 84.
18. Bongaigaon Refinery and Petro-Chemicals Ltd. (Petro-Chemicals)	The following is the likely Schedule of Mechanical completion of the project :—
	X-ylenes Dec., '83
	DMT June, '84
	Polyester } April, '86
	Staple Fibre }