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Similarly to boost carpet exports, export promotion measures such as sponsoring sales-cum-study tour abroad, organisation of buyer-seller meet, participation in fairs/festivals including holding of annual Indian Carpet Trade Fair, conducting of seminars/workshops etc. are being taken.

## SAARC Trade Fair Held at Lahore

6561.SHRI V. PRADEEP DEV : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

- (a) whether India has participated in SAARC Trade fair held in Lahore in January, 1997;
- (b) if so, the details of goods exhibited in the above fair; and
- (c) the details of the business transacted by India during the said fair ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULLI RAMAIAH): (a) No SAARC Trade Fair was held during January, 1997 in Lahore.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

## Sick Industries

6562.SHRI A. SAMPATH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of industries declared sick in the country during each of the last three years, Statewise;
  - (b) the reasons for declaring them as sick;
- (c) the number of workers affected by these declarations, State-wise; and
- (d) the financial assistance given for these sick units, State-wise, during the said period ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) Data on sick industrial units assisted by Banks in the country is compiled by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). According to the latest RBI data as on 31.3.96, the State-wise details of sick industrial units, both in SSI and non-SSI sectors, are given in the attached Statement.

According to the Reserve Bank of India report, the major causes of industrial sickness in the country relate to project appraisal deficiencies, project management deficiencies, marketing etc.

(c) and (d) This information is not centrally maintained.

## Statement

State-wise distribution of Sick SSI and Non-SSI units as at the end of March, 1996

State/Union	No. of sick	No. of sick
Territory	SSI Units	Non-SSI Units
1	2	3
Assam	19831	37
Meghalaya	4985	2
Mizoram	62	· -
Bihar	16695	56
Arunachal Pradesh	104	1
West Bengal	56214	225
Nagaland	1445	1 .
Manipur	913	1
Orissa	7826	53
Sikkim	116	1
Tripura	1356	6
A&N Inlands	41	<del>-</del>
Uttar Pradesh	38349	173
Delhi	6045	26
Punjab	2362 <sup>7</sup>	37
Haryana	2332	63
Chandigarh	205	12
J & K	3728	7
Himarchal Pradesh	567	20
Rajasthan	15668	61
Gujarat	7476	177
Maharashtra	20100	337
Daman & Diu	5	1
Goa	717	4
D & N Haveli	1	2