

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1546  
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TARGETS ACHIEVED IN SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES  
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**Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of strategy adopted by the Government for promotion of Small Scale Industries in the country during Ninth Five Year Plan period;
- (b) whether the objectives and targets achieved so far; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING, DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONS AND PENSIONERS' WELFARE, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a): During the 9th Five Year Plan, the strategy adopted was to strengthen the small scale sector and enhance its competitiveness both domestically and globally through a package of measures providing fiscal incentives, easier access to credit, marketing support, availability of collateral free composite loans upto Rs. 25 lakhs, technology upgradation and improved infrastructure.

(b) & (c): The SSI Sector has shown sustained growth during the Ninth Plan. The number of SSI units is expected to go up from 28.03 lakhs in 1996-97 to 35.13 lakhs by 2001-02. The value of their production is expected to go up from Rs. 3,29,935 crores in 1996-97 to Rs. 4,86,486 crores in 2001-02. The employment target of 184 lakh persons for the 9th plan was exceeded in 2000-01 itself.