

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

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SICK SSI UNITS  
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**Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of small scale industries functional as on date alongwith the capital investment made therein;
- (b) the number of sick industries among them alongwith the capital investment made therein; and
- (c) the average amount of losses suffered by the small scale sector during the last three years?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES & AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a): The total number of small scale industries (SSI) (both registered and unregistered) functioning in the country at the end of March, 2005 is provisionally estimated to be 118.59 lakh, with fixed investment of Rs. 178920 crore.

(b): According to the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), which compiles data on sick small scale industries financed by scheduled commercial banks, the number of sick SSI units at the end of March, 2003 (latest available) was 1,67,980 and the amount outstanding against these industries was Rs. 5,706.35 crore.

(c): The data on the average annual losses incurred by the small scale sector are not maintained centrally.