## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:335 ANSWERED ON:18.08.2004 BENEFITS TO YOUTH UNDER PMRY Aaron Rashid Shri J M

## Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a): whether the Government is aware that full benefits of Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana have not reached the educated unemployed youth so far;
- (b): if so, the reasons therefore; and
- (c): the steps being taken to ensure that full benefits of this scheme reach the unemployed youths?

## **Answer**

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

(a)to(c): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS(a)to(c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 335 FOR ANSWER ON 18.08.2004.

(a)to(c): Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Yojana (PMRY) was launched on 2nd October, 1993 with the objective to provide employment to the educated unemployed youth. The success of the Scheme led to its continuation in 9th plan period and subsequently in the 10th plan period also. As per the latest reports for the period from 1993-94 to 2003-04, loans have been disbursed to 19.70 lakh educated unemployed youth against the target of 22.40 lakh and generating employment for an estimated 29.55 lakh persons.

Two rounds of evaluation of the Scheme have been conducted for ascertaining the success of the Scheme. As per the first round of evaluation of the PMRY for the Programme years 1993-94 to 1994-95, 15002 units were set up out of the 15,098 cases disbursed(99.3 percent success rate); sanction was 80 percent of target and 83 percent of sanctioned cases were disbursed loans and employment generated was 2.39 per unit. As per the second round of evaluation of the PMRY for the Programme years 1995-96 to 1997-98, sanction was 81.6 percent of target and 74.7 percent of sanctioned cases were disbursed loans and employment generated was 1.94 persons per functional unit. Further, assets have been created in 89.7 percent of the cases disbursed loans. Some of the parameters of the Scheme like activities covered, relaxation in age, educational qualification, family income, constitution of Task Force at Block/Mandal Level etc. were modified on the basis of recommendations of the above evaluation studies and feedback received from the implementing agencies. The third round of evaluation for the Programme years 1998-99, 1999-00, 2000-01 is now in progress.