

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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GROWTH CENTRE SCHEME
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the overall contribution of growth centre scheme to the development of infrastructural facilities for industries across the country;
- (b) the amount allocated and actually spent on growth centre by Union Government, State Governments and other financial institutions during the last two years and the last six months of the current year, year-wise and State-wise;
- (c) the status of growth centres, particularly in Andhra Pradesh as on date;
- (d) whether the Government propose to review the growth centre scheme;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the extent to which the centres are likely to help industrialization in the States?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S ELANGO VAN)

- (a): The Growth Centre Scheme was introduced in 1988 for creating infrastructural facilities in the 71 identified industrially backward centres with a view to promote setting up of industries in these centres. The Growth Centre Scheme has achieved considerable success in the industrial development of these centres. 1000 industrial units have so far been established in these Growth Centres and capital investment of Rs.9885.20 crore has been made. Further, employment for 34008 workers has been generated.
- (b): The details are placed at Annexure-I.
- (c): The status of growth centres including the centres in Andhra Pradesh is placed at Annexure-II.
- (d): Since all the 71 Growth Centres which were to be established under the Scheme have been sanctioned, only the performance of these Centres is being reviewed in the normal manner by obtaining periodical progress reports from the State Governments. The Scheme, as a whole, shall be reviewed once all these Growth Centres become functional
- (e)&(f): Infrastructural facilities created/likely to be created in the identified Growth Centres will encourage entrepreneurs to set up industrial units there and will help in prompting industrialization in these areas, creation of assets and employment as shown in (a) above.