

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA**

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EMPLOYMENT GENERATION BY KVIC
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Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Khadi and Village Industries Commission has proposed to generate employment for over one crore persons during 2003-2004;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the employment opportunities which KVIC proposes to generate in Karnataka;
- (d) the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): Against the target of 5 lakh persons, additional employment opportunities were generated for 4.71 lakh persons in the country under the Rural Employment Generation Programme(REGP), implemented by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission(KVIC) , during 2003-04.

(c)&(d): During the year 2004-05, the target for generating self- employment opportunities in Karnataka under the REGP is of 33075 persons, through ;provision of margin money assistance of Rs. 1429.34 lakh in 1654 projects. This is supplemented by KVIC activities like organising Entrepreneurship Development Programmes (EDPs), exhibitions, workshops, awareness camps, etc.

(e): The KVIC has communicated the targets under the REGP to the State Office of the KVIC and the State Khadi and Village Industries Board (KVIB) of Karnataka. The allocated funds are released periodically through the State Office of KVIC and the KVIB. The progress of the programme is reviewed regularly by the KVIC and the Union Government to ensure smooth implementation.