CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The need for an Information system has been established for small-scale industry as in other disciplines.

2. The desirability of computerising such information for wide use has been focussed.

3. An information system designed has been developed using the FIS package on the indigenous computer TDC-316 as a preliminary step.

4. The FIS provides a simple query, incorporates SDI concept, helps in acquisition of data, and identification of gaps, which would serve to a fair extent, the present needs.

5. A comprehensive data base structure has been designed to serve the needs at a higher level of complexity.

6. This Data Base Management System provides several access points, independence of data, reorganisation facility, on-line access, simultaneity of access, reduction of redundancy, besides those provided by the FIS.

7. An organisation similar to Canadian National Information Science and Technology is envisaged in India with functional decentralisation and network capability for serving the small industry. This can be further linked up with the NISSAT at the national level for global coverage.