

Proposal of West Bengal Government to set up a Vanaspati Plant

1001. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the West Bengal Government has approached the National Co-operative Development Corporation and the Central Government with their plan to set up a vanaspati plant with a capacity of 100 tonnes per day and also the promotion of an oilseeds growers co-operative; and

(b) if so, the assistance which the National Co-operative Development Corporation and the Central Government propose to render to the State Government?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH) (a) and (b). The West Bengal Government had recommended the application of the West Bengal State Federation of Wholesale Consumers Co-operative Societies Limited for issue of licence to set up a 50-tonne per day vanaspati plant. The application was not within the policy parameters and, was therefore, rejected.

Improvement of Printing Work in Presses

1002. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL : Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government printing work in India is less than average in point of design, quality and legibility according to the technology and demand projection panel of Government's Development Council for Printing Industry;

(b) whether according to the above panel report, forms issued for public use were often found to be badly printed and illegible and called for introduction of modern methods and technology to improve printing quality and reduce costs; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to improve printing and modernise the printing technology and machinery in the Central Government Presses, particularly in its Presses in Calcutta ?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI ABDUL GHAFOOR) ;

(a) and (b). On these points the report of Technology and Demand Projection Panel of Development Council for printing Industry is as follows :

'Majority of work turned out in Govt. of India Presses is less than average in point of design, quality and legibility. One often finds forms issued for public use badly printed and illegible. Vigorous attempts to improve quality and introducing modern methods in technology for improving quality and cost reduction are required.' It also indicates that one of the reasons for such quality of printing is on account of the quality of paper and ink available in the country. The report also indicates that even in private presses (with the exception of specialised categories of books produced by a few leading printers), the quality of book work in general ranges from fair to average.

Occasionally, Govt. of India Presses have produced good quality work and received national awards for excellence in printing.

Modern methods and technological improvements have been adopted in some of the presses and these are in the process of being implemented in the remaining presses also in order to improve the quality of printing.

(c) The Govt. of India has already taken steps to improve printing and to modernise the printing technology and machinery in the Govt. of India Presses. This also applies to the Govt. of India Presses in Calcutta. In the Govt. of India Press, Temple Street, Calcutta, in particular four old letter press machines have been replaced by two fast running web off set printing machines. A training centre for the staff has also been set up at the Govt. of India Photolitho Press, Faridabad. It is hoped that these measures would result in improving the quality of printing.

Diploma Holders in Civil Engineering Registered with Employment Exchanges

1003. SHRI M. L. JHIKRAM : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) how many First Division Diploma Holders in Civil Engineering are at present

on the live register of Delhi Employment Exchanges seeking employment; and

(b) the total number of such diploma holders registered during each of the last five years ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI T. ANJIAH) : (a) 1764 First Division Diploma Holders in Civil Engineering were on the live register of Delhi Employment Exchanges as on 31-12-1984.

(b) Available information relating to number of registrations made in respect of all diploma holders in Civil Engineering each years during the period 1980-1984 is furnished below :-

Year	Number
1980	629
1981	627
1982	716
1983	882
1984	995

Villages Connected with all Weather/ Fair Weather Roads

1004. SHRI SOBHANADREESWARA RAO : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the villages yet to be connected with all weather roads, State-wise;

(b) the villages yet to be connected with fair weather roads, State-wise; and

(c) the date by which Government intend to connect all the villages with all weather fair weather roads ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BUTA SINGH) : (a) A Statement is attached.

(b) Information of this nature is not maintained in the Department.

(c) According to the Sixth Plan document,, all the villages with a population of over 1500 and 50 per cent of the villages with population between 1000-1500 are to be connected by all weather roads under the minimum needs programme by 1990.

Statement

Statement showing number of villages yet to be connected by all weather roads as on 31.3.1984 (Provisional).

Sl. No.	State/U.T.	No. of villages yet to be connected by all weather roads as on 31.3.1984 (Provisional)
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	16464
2.	Assam	9762
3.	Bihar	46155
4.	Gujarat	7148
5.	Haryana	128
6.	Himachal Pradesh	9973
7.	Jammu and Kashmir	2662
8.	Karnataka	18832
9.	Kerala	—
10.	Madhya Pradesh	55335
11.	Maharashtra	24289
12.	Manipur	5121
13.	Meghalaya	2267