

to provide assistance to the extent of Rs. 20.00 crores during the remaining part of this year to the participating State Governments. However, the informations as to the expenditure of State Govt's share is not available.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) The broad features of these plans under consideration relate to:

- (i) upgradation of national highways,
  - (ii) development of rail system,
  - (iii) development of telecommunications,
  - (iv) strengthening the transmission and distributive network of the power system.
- (f) (i) The Board has approved creation of a strategy for additional mobilisation of resources.
- (ii) The Govt. of India has allocated Rs. 200 crore as budgetary support under state sector during 8th Plan for implementation of the NCR Plan.

#### **Deployment of Forces in Tripura**

1843. SHRIMATIBIBHUKUMARDEVI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Tripura have requested the Union Government for deployment of additional forces to meet the threat posed by the extremist elements; and

(b) if so, the response of the Union Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE

MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Some additional companies of para-military forces were provided to the State Government.

[*Translation*]

#### **Legislation to Prevent Custodial Crimes**

1844. SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI:  
SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the increasing number of cases of atrocities on persons in police custody the Government propose to bring forward a legislation to prevent and punish custodial crimes;

(b) if so, the broad features of the proposed legislation; and

(c) by when such a legislation is likely to be brought forth?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (c). The matter is under consideration.

[*English*]

#### **Food Processing Centres**

1845. SHRI HARISH NARAYAN PRABHU ZANTYE: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state: