

(b) and (c) The Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education, which has been established recently, is charged with the responsibility of carrying out research in this regard and set up a network to coordinate the activities of various organisations, national and international, engaged in this field. Research on planting of 'Neem' has been undertaken by Forest Research Institute, Dehra Dun, and its Regional Centres and the Institutes under the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR). Some laboratories of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research including National Chemical Laboratory, are conducting research on chemical and other properties of 'Neem'.

#### **Survey of Forests in Andhra Pradesh**

6660. SHRI S. PALAKONDRAYUDU: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Union Government have conducted any survey in Andhra Pradesh forests for flower plants, herbs and medicinal plants ; and

(b) if so, the details of the survey conducted ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI) ; (a) and (b) Extensive floristic survey of the forests in Medak Adilabad, East Godavari, West Godavari, Vijayanagaram, Srikakulam and Vishakapatnam district in Andhra Pradesh have been carried out.

#### **Vacancies in Indian Economic Service**

6661. SHRI NATAVARSINH SOLANKI : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the year-wise vacancies in Grade II of the Indian Economic Service during 1984, 1985 and 1986 ;

(b) the number of these vacancies filled during the respective years and the backlog of these vacancies as on 31 December, 1986 ; and

(c) the steps Government are taking to fill up the backlog of vacancies ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHMA DUTT) : (a) and (b) The year-wise estimated vacancies in Grade II of the Indian Economic Service, number of such vacancies filled up and backlog as on 31.12.1986 are as indicated below :

Year	No. of Vacancies	Vacancies filled up	Backlog as on 31.12.86
1984	15	15	Nil
1985	6*	nil	6
1986	8*	nil	8

\*Estimated number

(c) All the Grade II vacancies remaining unfilled as on 31.12.1986 have since been filled up.

#### **Providing Employment to Displaced persons at Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Thumba**

6662. SHRI T. BASHEER : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the number of people displaced at Thumba in Kerala at the time of setting up of Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre ;

(b) whether it was stipulated that the persons displaced would be provided employment ;

(c) if so, the number of people employed so far ;

(d) the number of persons to be provided employment ; and

(e) the steps taken in this regard ?