

Madan Industries. These families made repeated representations to the Government for resettlement. A screening of such families was conducted in October, 1989. As a result of the screening, 32 families were found deserving and the Government of Uttar Pradesh have been requested to resettle these families.

[*Translation*]

Issue of Commemorative Postal Stamps on Birth Centenary of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar

558. SHRISATYNARAYAN JATIYA:
SHRI NAND KUMAR SAI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the basis, procedure and method of issuing commemorative postal stamps;

(b) the details of the commemorative postal stamps already issued and to be issued during the year 1990; and

(c) whether a commemorative stamps will be issued on the birth centenary of Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) Commemorative/Special postage stamps are issued to honour illustrious personalities, commemorate events and draw attention to special

occasions and themes. A very large number of proposals are received for issue of such stamps. The proposals are examined in the department and the decisions for issue of stamps are taken keeping in view the guidelines laid down for issue of such stamps recommendations made by the Philatelic Advisory Committee and various other factors.

Once the proposal is approved for issue of stamps, material for designing the stamp is obtained from the sponsors or any other source. Suitable designs are not prepared and the stamps as per the selected designs are printed by India Security Press, Nashik.

Commemorative/special postage stamps are released for sale to the Public through Philatelic Bureaux and Counters spread all over the country. They are sold through such Philatelic outlets for 6 months after which the remaining quantities are released through the normal Post Office counters.

(b) The details of commemorative/special postage stamps already issued during 1990 and those proposed to be issued during the remaining part of the 1990 are given below in statements I and II respectively.

(c) Two stamps on Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar have already been issued on 14.4.66 and 14.4.1973 respectively. Another stamp on the personality is proposed to be issued during the birth centenary year.

STATEMENT-I

List of Commemorative/special Stamps already issued during the year 1990

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Subject</i>	<i>Date of issue</i>	<i>Denomination</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>
1.	Dr. M.G. Ramachandran	17.1.90	60 Paise

1	2	3	4
2.	Sukhna Shramdan, Chandigarh	29.1.90	100 P
3.	The Bombay sappers Presentation of Colours 1990	21.2.90	60 P
4.	Asian Development Bank	02.5.90	200 P
5.	150th Anniversary of First Postage Stamp	06.5.90	600 P
6.	Ho Chi Minh	17.5.90	200 P
7.	Chaudhary Charan Singh	29.5.90	100 P
8.	Indian Peace Keeping Force	30.7.90	200 P
9.	Indian Council of Agricultural Research	31.7.90	200 P

STATEMENT-II

List of Commemorative/Special Postage Stamps proposed to be issued during 1990

Sl. No.	Subject	Tentative date of release
1	2	3

PERSONALITIES

1.	Khudiram Bose	11.8.90
2.	K. Kelappan	24.8.90
3.	Sunderlal Sharma	28.9.90
4.	A.K. Gopalan	01.10.90
5.	Suryamalla Mishran	19.10.90
6-7.	Kamla Devi Chattopadhyaya	29.10.90
8.	Bhakta Kanakdasa	10.90
9.	Gopinath Bordoloi	—

1	2	3
OTHER THEMES		
10-11.	Indo-Soviet Friendship	16.8.90
12-13.	Tercentenary of city of Calcutta	24.8.90
14.	Care for the Girl Child	9.90
15.	International Literacy Year	08.09.90
16-19.	Asian Games	20.09.90
20-21.	Wild Life	
22-23.	Greetings/Festivals	10.90
24.	Children Day	14.11.90
25.	Dnyaneshwari	15.11.90
26.	Drug Abuse	11.90
27.	Tribal/Folk Dances	11.90
28-32.	Inpeex' 90	12.90
33-35.	Cities of India	12.90

[English]

Support Price for Copra

559. SHRI H.C. SRIKANTAIAH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the selling prices of Copra during May, June and July, 1990 and the corresponding selling prices during May, June and July in 1988 and 1989;

(b) whether Union Government have

received any representations from coconut growers of Karnataka to fix the support price of Copra at Rs. 2,500 per quintal; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by Union Government to fix upward support price and to avoid distress sale in Karnataka?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR):

(a) The wholesale prices of copra during 1988, 1989 and 1990 are given below: