[22 December, 1999]

RAJYA SABHA

Name of the District	1997-98	1998-99
15. Nagpur	380	154
16. Nanded	552	424
17. Nasik	603	687
18. Osmanabad	310	312
19. Parbhani	336	289
20. Pune	192	134
21. Raigad	110	133
22. Ratnagiri	54	51
23. Sangli	101	104
24. Satara	117	89
25. Sindhudurg	16	20
26. Sholapur	282	330
27. Thane	189	322
28. Wardha	132	386
29. Yavatmal	383	337
TOTAL:	8324	8243

Development of Women and Children in Rural Areas in Maharashtra

2262. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT to be pleased to State:

(a) the number of villages covered in Maharashtra, district-wise, under the Development of Women and Children in Rural Areas Scheme;

(b) whether any special survey has been made in Adivasi districts of the State;

(c) if so, whether any special assistance is being given to those Adivasi districts; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUNDAR LAL PATWA): (a) All the villages in Maharashtra were covered under the scheme of Development of Women and Children in Rural Areas (DWCRA). From 1.4.99 this scheme has been merged into a comprehensive scheme called Swaranjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY), which is also being implemented in all the villages in Maharashtra.

(b) No special survey has been conducted in Adivasi districts of the Maharashtra.

(c) and (d) Does not arise.