Endangered Wild Sanctuaries in Assam

- *555. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state
- (a) the details of endangered wild life sanctuaries due to flood and erosion in Assam:
- (b) whether project proposed for protection of national parks and wild life sanctuaries in Assam was received by the Ministry;
- (c) if so, the objective and the present status of the said project including allocation proposed to be made during the ninth five Year Plan; and
- (d) if not, the action taken by Government to protect the endangered sanctuaries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI): (a) The following National Parks and Sancturaries of Assam have been affected due to floods:

Kaziranga National Park, Dibru-Sakhowa Sanctuary, Pobitora Sanctuary, Burachapori Sanctuary, Nameri National Park, and Orang Sanctuary.

(b) to (d) A Project seeking financial support for development infrastructure, communication facilities and purchse of arms and ammunitions for strengthening the enforcement machinery at a total cost of Rs. 13.94 crores has been received. Proposals for seeking financial assistance for safeguarding against the damage by flood to the wild animals and their habital are also received from time to time. The demands the State Government for strengthening the infrastructure and mitigating the damage caused by natural calamities are met under the ongoing schemes of "Development of National Parks and Sanctuaries." "Project Tiger" and "Project Elephant" The allocation for the country under the scheme for the IX Plan are Rs. 110 crores, Rs. 75 crores and Rs. 40 crores respectively.

''दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय में प्रवेश प्रक्रिया में अनियमितताएं''

*556. श्री रमा शंकर कौशिकः प्रो॰ रामगोपाल यादवः

क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे किः

- (क) क्या दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय में प्रवेश प्रक्रिया में भारी अनियमितताएं हैं:
- (ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार ने इसकी जांच कराकर कोई कार्यवाही की है: और
- (ग) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौग क्या है, यदि नहीं, तो छात्रों द्वारा पात्रता संबंधी मानदंडों को पूग करने के बाद उन्हें अच्छे कॉलेजों में प्रवेश न दिये काने के क्या कारण हैं?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री (डा॰ मुरली मनोहर जोशी): (क) दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय द्वारा दी गई सूचना के अनुसार विश्वविद्यालय के दाखिले की प्रक्रिया में कोई अनियमितता नहीं की गई है।

- (ख) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता।
- (ग) ऐसा कोई विशिष्ट मामला सरकार की जानकारी में नहीं आया है। ऐसे मामलों की विशेष रूप से जांच करने के लिए दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय के अंतर्गत दो शिकायत समितियां हैं।

Suburban Train Services in Hyderabad and Secunderabad

*557. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken to augment the suburban train services in the twin cities of Hyderabad and Secunderabad;
- (b) whether Government have examined the proposal to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with State Government of Andhra Pradesh for forming a Corporation for development of Light Rail system, as was signed with the State of Maharashtra: and
- (c) if so, the present status of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NITISH KUMAR):
(a) Secunderabad area has been provided with the following number of train

Secunderabad-(BG) 10 pairs of trains Hyderabad

Secunderabad-Bolaram(BG)

47

09 pairs of trains

Secunderabad-

12 pairs of trains

Bolaram-

12 pairs of trains

Medchal(MG)

Secunderabad-Falaknuma(BG) 11 pairs of trains

Secunderabad-

08 pairs of trains

Bhongir(BG)

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Secunderabad-*
Vikarabad(BG)

10 pairs of trains

The above services have been provided by giving appropriate stoppages to long distance trains besides introducing short distance computer shuttles.

(b) and (c) No such proposal is under examination.

Steps Taken by the NACO to Contain AIDS in the Country

*558. SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUK-KARASU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India will become the AIDS CAPITAL of the world by the turn of the Century as per the WHO and other organisations; and
- (b) what are the steps taken by the National AIDS Control Organisation (NACO) to check the growth of AIDS specially in Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Karnataka and Tami, Nada?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DALIT EZHILMALAI): (a) WHO/UNAIDS has published a report on the global HIV/AIDS epidemic in June, 1998 in

which they had reported that India will have the largest number of HIV infected people in the World.

- (b) In order to prevent and control HIV/AIDS in India, a comprehensive programme is currently under implementation throughout the country, including Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu. The strategies of the programme consist of:
 - (i) strengthening of programme management capabilities at Centre and state levels by greater decentraliszation to the field level for community involvement; (ii) creation of awareness amongst high risk behaviour groups and targetted groups in general population about HIV/AID: (iii) controlling Sexually Transmitted Diseases and promotion of condom use; (iv) Ensuring safety of blood and blood products; (v) strengthening of the surveillance system; and (vi) creatin enabling socio-economic environment for people living with HIV/AIDS and taking effective measures for their care and support.

Bacause of relatively higher prevalence reported from these five States, greater emphasis is given on (a) political survocacy and commitment; (b) targetted interventions among specific groups like youth, women, children, migrant workers etc.; and (c) targetted IEC programmes on awareness for these groups, in the programmes related to these States.

देश में यूरिया के उत्पादन में गिराबट

*559. श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेवः

क्या रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री यह बंताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या विगत दशक के दौरान में यूरिया के उत्पादन में छः प्रतिशत से ज्यादा की गिरावट आयी है;