(c) whether the MHRD and UGC were consulted in preparation of the report?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) Information on R and D in the private sector is not maintained in the Ministry of Human Resource Development.

(b) and (c) The Prime Minister's Council on Trade and Industry-had constituted a Special Subject Group on Policy Framework for Private Investment in Education, Health and Rural Development comprising Shri Mukesh Ambani and Shri Kumarmangalam Birla in December, 1999. After submission of the report, a copy was also received in the Ministry of Human Resource Development and the comments of the Ministry have been sent thereon.

Success of Anganwadi Programme

3888. SHRIMATI BIMBA RAIKAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Anganwadi Programme has been successful all over the country;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the measures taken to make the programme more effective and to ensure its wide coverage; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) At present 4384 projects under the Integrated Child Development Services Scheme are being implemented in the country. The impact of the Scheme in the field of health, nutrition and educational status of the beneficiaries has been significant as brought out by the National Evaluation on ICDS (NIPCCD 1992); ICDS Survey, Evaluation and Research 1975—95 (CTC-IMCD 1995); National Concurrent Evaluation of ICDS (NCAER 2000-2001) and others. The physical target set and achievements thereof during the

last two years *i.e.* 1998-99 and 1999-2000 arc given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) Provision for improved Medicine Kits pre-scbool learning material for young children has been made in the Anganwadi centres. Guidelines for strengthening Community Mobilisation under ICDS have been introduced. For quality service delivery, the financial norms related to equipment/ furniture, contingency in Anganwadi Centres has been enhanced. In addition, guidelines for strengthening the monitoring mechanism have been issued alongwith enhanced provision for POL. An innovative and decentralized training programme called "Udisha" has been introduced nation wide.

(d) Does not arise.

Statement
Target and achievements under ICDS during last two years

	1998-1999 Target Achivement		1999-2000 Target Achievement	
No. of operational ICDS Projects	3882	4200	4200	4348
No. of Beneficiaries under Supplementary Nutrition				
Programme.	30158338	25486703	31971685	33875182
No. of Beneficiaries receiving Pre-School Education.	15478266	11759774	17347489	15139551

Consideration of National Curriculum framework by CABE

3889. SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government propose to convene the Central Advisory Board for Education (CABE) to consider the recently released National Curriculum Framework for School Education, prepared by NCERT; and
 - (b) if so, by when the meeting is likely to be convened?