रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एडुआडों फैलोरियो): (क) से (घ) मोपाल शहर के गंभीर रूप से प्रभावित 36 बाडों में अन्तरिम सहायुता दी जा रही है। मध्य प्रदेश सरकार ने अन्य 20 बाडों में भी अन्तरिम सहायता देने के लिए अनरोध किया है। अन्तरिम सहायता उच्चतम न्यायालय के आदेशों के अनुपालन में दी जा रही है।

Setting up of Committee of Commission with minister's Approval

2732. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have decided that no new committee or commission be set up without the specific approval of the HRD Ministry;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of committees or commissions at present functioning under the Union Government; and
- (d) the details of expenditure incurred on these committees/commissions during each of the last three years?

THE **MINISTER** OF STATE **EDUCATION** DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT OF CULTURE (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, Ministry of Finance has decided that there should be a complete freeze on setting up of new Committees/ Commissions. Specific approval of the Group of Ministers would be required before any new Committee/Commission is set up.

(c) and (d) The Ministry do not maintain centralised data regarding the number of Committees/Commissions set up by various Ministries/Departments.

Scholarships for the welfare of the Children of Scavengers

to Questions

2733. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have announced some scholarships for children whose parents are engaged in scanvenging of dry latrines, sweepering, tanning and flaying, considered unclean;
- (b) if so, the details of such scholarships, with categories of people to be benefited with them;
- (c) whether some eligibilities have been fixed for such scholarships;
- (d) whether parents and students have to undergo some formalities to get such scholarships;
- (e) whether some rates of scholarships have also been fixed; and
 - (f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) The Centrally sponsored Scheme of Pre-Matric Scholarships to children of those engaged in unclean occupations is being implemented through State Government/Union Territory Administrations since 1977-78 to promote pre-matric education among such children.

- (b) This Scheme provides financial assistance on a matching basis to specific categories of children of scavengers of dry latrines, tannere, flayers and sweepers irrespective of their religion, who have traditional links with scavenging. The Scheme provides scholarships for hostellers in Classes III to X and for day-scholars from Classes I to X.
- (c) Yes, Sir. The specific eligibility conditions are given below:
- (i) A certificate is required from the candidate each year to the effect that at least one parent is still engaged in unclean occupation as defined in the Scheme.