

CBI. Inquiry into the Misappropriation case

3346. SHRI MANMOHAN MATHUR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 4132 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th March, 1992 and state:

(a) whether the official involved in the misappropriation case has been identified;

(b) if so, what action has been taken against him;

(c) whether Government propose to order a thorough enquiry into all projects/schemes handled by the said official to unearth such misappropriation of funds; and

(d) whether Government also propose to instruct the authorities not to hand over projects/schemes involving use of Government funds to the said official to prevent misappropriation of funds in future?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) As already stated in reply to Question No. 4132 answered in Rajya Sabha on 27-3-1992, no official has been entrusted with any project, but the work of data entry of the project, 'People of India', has been entrusted to National Informatics Centre. A case of misappropriation with regard to payment made to one data entry operator, it is ascertained, had come to light. The amount involved is Rs. 3450. It is ascertained that the case has been entrusted to the Central Bureau of Investigation.

Assistance to Mewat Literacy Society and Mewat Development Agency

3347. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the excellent socio-educational work taken up in Mewat amongst the neglected Mewati women by an enterprising young social worker, Ms. Mahmoodi in collaboration with other groups specially the Mewat Development Agency and the Mewat Literacy Society as reported in the 'Economic Times' of 23rd June, 1992; and

(b) whether Government propose to support such activities for nation building and if so, the details of the assistance rendered in the above case, elsewhere in the country?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) Adult Education Programme is a social programme. Contribution of all sections of the society is welcome. The present strategy is for Total Literacy Campaign. Such campaigns are area-specific, time bound, volunteer-based, cost-effective and outcome-oriented. An area can be a village or a cluster of villages, a village panchayat or a mandal panchayat, panchayat samiti or block, a district or even a State. Irrespective of the geographical denomination of the area, a proposal for total literacy in a campaign mode* must emanate from the grass root level with the active encouragement, concurrence and support of the State Government and the District Administration. Proposals received are considered by the Executive Committee of the National Literacy Mission Authority for approval. The National Literacy Mission Authority also provides academic and technical resource support for formulation