

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) and (b) On Ernakulam-Kottayam-Trivandrum section of Southern Railway, an alternative BG line has been proposed for construction between Ernakulam-Kayankulam. Of this Ernakulam-Alleppey (57 kms) has already been commissioned on 15.10.1989. Work on Alleppey-Kayankulam (43 kms) is in progress and is targetted for opening in 1991-92. When completed, it will provide two single lines between Ernakulam and Kayankulam—one via Alleppey and the other via Kottayam—the existing route. Doubling between Kayankulam and Quilon (41 kms) was approved in the Budget for 1989-90 and the work is in progress. Doubling between Quilon-Trivandrum (65 kms) has been included in the Budget for 1990-91. Completion of doubling on Kayankulam-Quilon-Trivandrum will depend upon the availability of resources in the coming year.

स्वतंत्रता सेनानियों को आवास दिया जाना

152. श्री विश्वानाराय रामराव यादव : क्या सहरी विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली में स्वतंत्रता सेनानियों को उप-राज्यपाल के कोटे से आवास स्वीकृत किए जाते हैं ; और

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो उसका व्यौरा क्या है तथा ऐसी स्वीकृति दिए जाने के मान-दण्ड क्या हैं ?

सहरी विकास मंत्री (श्री बोलत राम सारण) : (क) और (ख) दिल्ली विकास आधिकारिक-अध्यक्ष/उपाध्यक्ष-वर्ष के दौरान आवंटित प्लॉटों की कुल संख्या के अधिकतम 2.5% तक बिना बारी आधार पर आवंटन अनुकम्पा, अत्याधिक कठिनाई के आधार पर तथा श्रेष्ठ खिलाड़ी, शौर्य पुरस्कार विजेता, रक्षा कामियों एवं राष्ट्रीय जीवन के विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में उल्लेख्य सेवा

करने वाले अन्य व्यक्तियों को कर सकते हैं। तथापि, स्वतंत्रता सेनानियों के लिए कोई अलग कोटा नहीं है।

Short supply of seeds in U.P.

153. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI. Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is short supply of seeds through Government and cooperative seed stores in Uttar Pradesh causing hardship to peasants in this rabi season;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor, and

(c) whether Government would plan for adequate supply of such seeds for rabi and kharif crops in the coming year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JAYANTILAL VIRCHANDBHAI SHAH) (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Mainly there has been shortage of Seeds of late sowing varieties of wheat during the Rabi season this year. In some districts of the State during the Rabi season 1989-90, the seed of the farmers got wet due to untimely rains and became unfit for sowing. Apart from this, the state government has made provision for giving subsidy on Rabi Seeds. Due to these two factors, the demand of seeds from Government and Cooperative godowns increased relatively, although this year the distribution of wheat seeds was more than last year.

(c) Uttar Pradesh government have informed that they have made adequate arrangement