

(b) if so, what steps have been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Registered Central Trade Unions

1720. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the Central Trade Unions comprising of the labour from organised and unorganised sectors registered under the Act;

(b) what is number of their respective members in the year 1989-90; and

(c) what is the number of workers engaged in organised sectors in the country

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABANSING GHATOWAR): (a) and (b) According to information available with the Government, only the All India Trade Union Congress among the major Central Trade Union organisations is registered under the Trade Unions Act, 1926. The membership of the All India Trade Union Congress was 3,44,746 as on 31-12-1980 as per the General Verification of membership of Central trade union organisations.

(c) The estimated number of persons employed in the public and the private sector in the year 1989 was 2,59,86,000.

Promotion of Floriculture

1721. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any Government organisations for the promotion of floriculture in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI

MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b) The Horticulture Division of the Union Ministry of Agriculture and the State Departments of Horticulture and Agriculture are the main Government organisations for promotion of floriculture in the country. Besides, Agriculture and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), State Trading Corporation (STC), State Seeds Corporations and local bodies such as Municipal and City Corporations also promote development of floriculture.

Regional Provident Fund Office at Tirunelveli

1722. SHRI A. NALLASIVAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether any representation dated the 3rd July, 1991 has been received by Government from District Beedi Workers Union, Alangulam, Tamil Nadu demanding opening of a Regional Provident Fund office at Tirunelveli in the interest of nearly 1,85,000 Beedi workers of the area.

(b) if so, whether any steps have been taken in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABANSING GHATOWAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The matter is under consideration of the Executive Committee of the Central Board of Trustees, Employees' Provident Fund.

Selection of posts at Golden Rock Workshop, Southern Railway

1723. SHRI A. NALLASIVAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that election for posts of Mechanical Khalasi is in progress at the Golden Rock Workshop, Southern Railway;

(b) whether the norm "At least one ward of a Railway Employee (whether