

Target of tree plantation

981. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: SHRI RAM CHANDRA VIKAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total area of land where afforestation has been done during the current year;

(b) whether the target fixed in this regard has been achieved; and

(c) what special measures have been taken to retain the ecological balance by creating new forests in deforested areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS: (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) and (b) The planting operations in most of the States/Union Territories for 1986-87 have just begun and are continuing. Hence it is not possible to indicate achievements of afforestation for the total year of 1986-87. However, as per available reports upto June, 1986, 1430 lakh seedlings have been planted i.e. approximately 79,500 hectares.

(c) The Action Plan for promoting afforestation and wastelands development has already been communicated to all the State/Union Territory Governments for further follow up action. A copy of the Action Plan is enclosed. (See Appendix CXXXIX, Annexure No. 55).

Arrival of super computers in the country

»8». SHRI AJEET PRAMOD KUMAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state by when the super computers needed for oceanographic and monsoon studies, for creating data base on socio-economic activities, aerodynamics etc. are likely to arrive in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS, AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): As, in the contract there are two parties involved, it is difficult to give the time within which arrival of the Super Computer can materialise.

New industrial schemes in Madhya Pradesh

983. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:- Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of new industrial schemes and the schemes for expansion of existing industrial units for the backward districts and rural areas of Madhya Pradesh which have been included in the Seventh Five Year Plan; and

(b) what is the amount of funds allocated for each scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) and (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. (See Appendix CXXXIX, Annexure No. 56).

Evaluation of family planning programme

984. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Programme Evaluation Organisation of the Planning Commission has undertaken a survey on the implementation of family planning programme in the country, and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) The Programme Evaluation Organisation of the Planning Commission has recently