

Government plans to meet future essential supplies

1914. SHRI KALPNATH RAI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a), whether Government propose to draw up a perspective plan for the decade beginning from the year 2001 to tackle the problem like food supplies, housing, health and sanitation, power supplies to meet the requirements of the increased population ; and

(b) if so, when the plan is likely to be drawn up ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA) : (a) and (b) The seventh Five Year Plan (1985-90) Document contains a Chapter on 'Development Perspective : Towards the year 2000', *vide* Chapter 2 Vol. 1 thereof. At present, there is no proposal to draw up any perspective plan beyond 2001, integrating the requirements relating to food supplies, housing, health and sanitation, power supplies etc. for the increase in the population.

Employment of local people in the proposed Defence Factory in Bolangir, Orrisa

1915. SHRI GAYA CHAND BHUYAN : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of local persons being employed in the proposed Defence Production Factory in Bolangir District of Orrisa ; and

(b) Whether it is a fact that in an interview, recruitment of Class III and class IV employees in September, 1981, 50 candidates from outside Orrisa were called for interview and only 16 were called from Orrisa ; if so, what measures are being taken or are proposed to be taken to protect the interests of the local people ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND DEFENCE SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) . and (b) For commencement of preliminary activities for the Ordnance Factory being set up in the Bolangir District of Orrisa, skeleton staff has been sanctioned. Recruitment for the posts sanctioned would be made in accordance with the Recruitment Rules and through Local Employment Exchange wherever laid down.

An interview was held in September 85 for a few posts of Lower Division Clerks for the office of Military Engineer Service, 37 Candidates were sponsored by the Employment Exchange Bolangir and a few departmental candidates were also called for the interview. Interview proceedings have not yet been finalised. Action to recruit a few Group C and Group D posts for the Ordnance Factory- through Employment Exchange is in hand.

Promulgation of rules for Coast Guard

1916. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that even after a lapse of seven years after the enactment of a law establishing the Coast Guard, the basic rules regulating its constitution, governance, command and discipline have not been promulgated;

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

(c) by when these rules are likely to be promulgated.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARUN SINGH) : (a) to (c) 27 sets of Rules relating to various aspects of the Coast Guard Organisation, like recruitment, discipline,, etc. have already been notified. 3 sets of rules are under preparation, of which one is nearly finalised.

No further requirement of rules is foreseen at present.

Agenda for the Eastern Zonal Council

1917. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) what was the main agenda for the 17th meeting of the Eastern Zonal Council held at Patna in September, 1985 ;

(b) how many items were taken up and discussed ; and

(c) what was the total time devoted for discussion on the agenda?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATES (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) : (a) The agenda for the meeting included items concerning irrigation and power, mining, industry, agriculture, roads, forests, environment health, and labour etc, apart from a review of implementation of the recommendations made by the Council earlier.

(b) 21 items out of 24 were taken up and discussed.

(c) The meeting continued for about 3-1/2 hours.

Request of Commonwealth Countries to halt Arms Race

1918. SHRI SURESH PACHO URI : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is fact that the Commonwealth leaders had urged the US and the Soviet Union to halt arms race ;

(b) whether any joint appeal by the Commonwealth leaders was forwarded to both the countries ;

(c) whether the US has turned down the proposal ; and

(d) what was been the reaction of the Soviet Union in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. R. BHAGAT) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Commonwealth leaders urged upon the United States and the Soviet Union to achieve their declared objectives of preventing an arms race in space and terminating it on earth, the leaders also appealed to the U S and the Soviet Union to begin without delay the process of reversing the nuclear arms race through significant measures of nuclear disarmament.

(c) and (d) The reactions of the Soviet Union and the United States are still awaited.

Development of Eastern Zone

1919- SHRI NIRMAL CHATTERJEE : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be state ?

(a) whether it is a fact that in September, 1983 a meeting of the Eastern Zonal Council was held and some particular problems of development of the Eastern Zone were placed by the member States ;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

(c) the steps taken by Government to sort out those problems ;

(d) the results achieved ; and

(e) if no measures to sort out these problems have been taken so far what are reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATES (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) (a) Yes, Sir.

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(b) The problems relating to the development of mining, rail and road transport, power irrigation