

(4) Gram Vigyan Mandals.

VI. *Mahabakihwar Panjiagani Regio-*

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Protection and Development of Forest,
Augmenting water supply facilities and
Research and Development Centre.

Development of Tourism,
Establishment of Ecology

Poverty line

2525. MISS SAROJ KHAPAR-
DE : Will the PRIME MINISTER
be pleased to state :

(a) what is the per capita monthly
expenditure level in ascertaining poverty
line in rural and urban areas
respectively; and

(b) what is the minimum earning
required by a citizen per month to
remain above poverty line?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN
THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING
(SHRI AJIT PANJA) : (a) For
ascertaining the poverty line at 1984-85
prices, the per capita monthly
expenditure level has been estimated to
be Rs. 107 in rural areas and Rs. 122 in
urban areas and this updated poverty
line has been used in the Seventh Five
Year Plan. The basis of determining the
poverty line is the report of the "Task
Force on Minimum Needs and Effective
Consumption Demand," Planning Com-
mission. According to this report, the
poverty line is the per capita monthly
expenditure level of Rs. 49.09 in rural
areas and Rs. 56.64 in urban areas at
1973-74 prices, corresponding to the
calories requirements of 2400 per capita
per day in rural areas and 2100 per
capita per day in urban areas. This
poverty line is up-dated for recent years
by using the Central Statistical
Organisation Private Consumption
Deflator (as a proxy for rise in the price
of the consumption basket).

(b) No specific target has been fixed
in the Seventh Five Year Plan regarding
the minimum earning per month
required by a citizen to remain above
poverty line. However, the person's
monthly earning should be

sufficient enough for him to spend at
least Rs. 107 per month in rural
areas and Rs. 122 per month in urban
areas at 1984-85 prices, so as to enable
him to remain above poverty line.

Identification of Vidarbha as backward area

2526. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE :
Will the PRIME MINISTER be
pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Com-
mission have identified Vidarbha and
other regions in Maharashtra as back-
ward areas for development in the
Seventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, what is the amount
allocated for their development region-
wise during the Seventh Five Year Plan
period; and

(c) the details of development
proposed to be undertaken in Vidarbha
during the said period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN
THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING
(SHRI AJIT PANJA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The details of the development
proposed would be available with the
State Government.

दिल्ली में इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी प्रशिक्षण केन्द्र की स्थापना

2527. श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :
क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे
कि :

(क) क्या दिल्ली प्रशासन इटली के
सहयोग से इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी के एक प्रशिक्षण
केन्द्र की स्थापना करने का विचार रखता
है ; और