

Foreign collaborations

375. SHRI HARKRISHAN SINGH SURJEET: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state the total number of foreign collaborations approved by Government of India during the second quarter of 1982, countrywise?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND STEEL AND MINES (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): Details with regard to all foreign collaborations are published on a quarterly basis by the Indian Investment Centre as a supplement to its Monthly News letter. Copies of this publication are sent regularly to the Parliament Library.

Implementation of 20-Point Programme

376. SHRIMATI SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission has collected information from the State Governments in respect of implementation of each of the 20-Point Programme during 1982;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard State-wise; and

(c) whether it is a fact that the Commission is proposing to publish a periodical report on the progress in this regard registered by each State?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Statement-I indicating state-wise progress of implementation of the 20-Point Programme for the period April—August, 1982 of items covered in the Monthly Progress Report are enclosed. Data for Tripura and West Bengal are for the period ending July and June, 1982 respectively. Information about the items not covered in the Monthly Progress Report for the period April—June, 1982 is also

given in Statement-II. [See Appendix CXXIV, Annexure No. 21].

(c) No, Sir.

20-Point Programme

377. SHRIMATI SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Prime Minister has recently written to the Chief Ministers to speed up the implementation of the 20-Point Programme and to set up Ministerial Committees for the purpose;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is the response of each Chief Minister in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Definition of poverty

378. SHRI SURENDRA MOHAN: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Planning Commission have redefined poverty or propose to do so;

(b) if so, what is the present definition of poverty and the major lacuna therein; and

(c) what are the new elements proposed to be included in the new definition?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) to (c) The Planning Commission has not redefined the concept of poverty. The Commission organised a Conference along with the U.P. Government and involving all States to examine the present definition and measurement of poverty and other socio-economic indicators. In this Conference, there was a consensus that apart from measuring poverty by calorie deficiency