(c) the total numbers of posts of Indian Ambassador&High CommissionersHeads of Indian Diplomatic Missions abroad and number of persons belonging to the SCs-STs working against such *posts* as on 1st January, 2000?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The representations were forwarded by the Prime Minister's Office to the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment to be followed up by them with the other Ministries-Departments of the Government of India for implementation.

(c) The total number of Indian Missions'Posts functioning abroad on 1.1.2000 was 157. The number of persons belonging to the SOST category working against the posts of Ambassadors-High CommissionersConsul Generals on 1.1.2000 was 22[SC-13; ST-9].

Computer Training Institute on All India Basis

*356. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:

DR. C. NARAYANA REDDY:

Will the Minsiter of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to start a computer training institute on an all India basis;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD M AH A J AN): (a) There is no proposal with the Government to start a computer training institute on an all India
basis.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.