AND TECHNOLOGY AND SPACE (PROF. SHER SINGH): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe Officers in Departmental Recruitment/ Promotion Committee

1195. DR. LOKESH CHANDRA; SHRI GIAN CHAND TOTU: SHRI KALP NATH RAI;

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Scheduled Caste/Tribe officers have been included in the Departmental Recruitment/Promotion Committees of the Ministry of Industry; and
- (b) if so, what is the number of posts which have been de-reserved during the year 1978-79 by various departments of the Ministry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV): (a) Yes. Sir.

(b) The information is 'nil'.

Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe Officers in the Departmental Recruitment/ Promotion Committee

1196. DR. LOKESH CHANDRA: SHRI GIAN CHAND TOTU: SHRI KALP NATH RAI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Scheduled Caste/Tribe officers have been included in the Departmental Recruitment/Promotion Committees of the Planning Commission; and
- (b) if so, what is the number of posts which have been de-reserved

during 1978-79 by various departments of the Commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI FAZLUR RAHMAN): (a) Yes, Sir. SC/ST Officers are included, as far as possible, in the Departmental/Promotion Committees.

(b) 22—

Scheduled Caste—12. Scheduled Tribe—10.

SC/ST in the Departmental Recruitment/Promotion Committee

1197. SHRI GIAN CHAND TOTU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Scheduled Caste/Tribe officers have been included in the Departmental Recruitment/Promotion Committees of the Department of Space: and
- (b) what is the number of posts which have been de-reserved during 1978-79 by various organisations of the Department?

THE MINISTER OF STATE THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY ELECTRONICS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND SPACE (PROF. SHER SINGH): (a) In accordance with the Government orders on the subject, a Scheduled Caste Officer is included as far ag possible in the Selection Committees/Departmental Promotion Committees of the Department and its constituent Centres/Units especially while making appointment to posts selections for reserved for Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes except in one Centre Bangalore. These and two units at Units/Centre have been asked to include Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes Officers in the Selection Com-Promotion mittees/Departmer tal Committees of the Centres/Units and to comply strictly with the Govern-