

prior to 1960 and post-matric scholarships had been awarded to the students belonging to such classes;

(b) whether Government propose to ask the State Governments to prepare fresh lists of economically and educationally backward classes; and

(c) if so, the details of the special educational facilities proposed to be given to the children belonging to the socially and economically deprived section of the community by Government in the Fifth Five Year Plan?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI F. H. MOHSIN): (a) Prior to 1963-64 post-matric scholarship to Other Backward Classes were given on the basis of lists prepared by the State Governments/Union Territories. The Ministry of Education had consolidated lists of these communities in respect of the various States/Union Territories for this purpose.

(b) and (c) No Sir, No special facilities are envisaged for the weaker Sections other than Scheduled Castes/Tribes, on community basis.

†Minerals Development laboratory in M.P.

554. SHRI SAWAISINGH SISODIA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT and SCIENCE and TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal for setting up a mineral development laboratory in Madhya Pradesh has been submitted by the Indian Council of Scientific and Industrial Research; and

(b) if so what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM) :

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Dose not arise.

†Invitations by foreign Government to PIB Officers

584. SHRI SUHRID MULLICK CHOU-DHURY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any intimation about invitation and hospitality offered by several foreign Governments accorded to Shri D' Souza, Deputy Principal Information Officer;

(b) whether Government have any intimation of such foreign invitation given to Shri D'Penha of the Central Information Service; and

(c) whether permission has been given to these officers for accepting invitations?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI DHARAM VIR SINHA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir. During 1972, an invitation to Shri H. J. D'Penha to visit the G.D.R. was received but it was not accepted.

(c) No, Sir.

STATEMENT REGARDING UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 368 DATED 28-2-1974.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. B. RANA): Sir, in reply to part (a) of Unstarred Question No. 368 answered in the Rajya Sabha on 28-2-1974 regarding the functioning of Hindustan Photo Films Mfg. Co.Ltd., by Sarvashri Ibrahim Kalaniya, K. B. Chettri and Miss Saroj Purushottam Khaparde, I regret that inadvertently the figures of production of photographic paper for the three years—1970-71, 1971-72 and 1972-73 had been