

(a) whether there is any monitoring from the Planning Commission about appropriate use of fund allotted to various State Governments as demanded and given for their Annual Plan; and

(b) if not, in what manner the Parliament would know about the utility and justice to weaker sections through development?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): (a) and (b) Planning Commission makes allocation of resources to States/UT for various State Plan Schemes through annual plan discussions. The funds are released by various Union Ministries/Departments concerned which monitor implementation of these Schemes as well as Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS). The State/UT Governments also monitor implementations of the Schemes in their States. Planning Commission undertakes broad reviews of Annual Plan achievements of States and conducts Mid Term Appraisal of the Five Year Plan. It also undertakes evaluation studies of Plan Schemes.

Scrapping of ICDS and RGGVY

1791. SHRI R.C. SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Planning Commission has recommended for scrapping of Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS) and Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY);

(b) if so, the reasons for scrapping of the above schemes, scheme-wise; and

(c) whether the scrapping of above schemes would not hamper the two important schemes one of which relating to child development and other one is to provide electricity to every village of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): (a) No Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Infrastructure projects in various sectors

1792. SHRI NAND KUMAR SAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a slow progress of the infrastructure projects in power, road, port, telecom and railway sectors in the country;

(b) if so, whether Government has set up any committee to review the progress of these projects;

(c) if so, the details in this regard, project-wise;

(d) the details of factors responsible for such slow progress of the projects, project-wise; and