TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEES TO FOOD COR-PORATION OF INDIA

*110. SHRI S. S. MARISWAMY: SHRI A. D. MANI:

Will the Minister of FOOD AGRI-CULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVE-LOPMENT AND COOPERATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Department of Food has decided to transfer its employees to the services of the Food Corporation of India and to retrench those from Government service who cannot be so transferred;
- (b) if so, what are the reactions of the concerned employees; and
- (c) whether any alternative employment will be provided to those who cannot be absorbed by the Food Corporation of India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRIP. GOVINDA MENON): (a) to (c) The arrangement is that the Food Corporation of India will take over all the employees of the Food Department connected directly with the work which is transferred from time to time to the Corporation. The question of retrenchment, as a consequence of the transfer, does not, therefore, arise.

Abolition of Block Development Officer's Post

THAKUR BHANU PRATAP
SINGH:
SMT. SARLA BHADAURIA:
SHRI JAGAT NARAIN:
SHRI S. JAIPURIA:
SHRI RAM SAHAI:
SHRI R. S. KHANDEKAR:

Will the Minister of FOOD AGRI-CULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVE-LOPMENT AND CO-OPERATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government are contemplating to advise other State Governments also to abolish the post of Block Development

Officer as has been done in Madhya Pradesh; and

(b) if so, whether any specific proposals have been formulated in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICUL-TURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

DINNER IN DELHI HOTELS ON MONDAY EVENINGS

*112. SHRI JAGAT NARAIN: Will the Minister of FOOD, AGRICUL-TURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CO-OPERATION be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Government have instructed the hotels in Delhi not to serve dinner to customers on Mondey evenings?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATON (SHRIP. GOVINDA MENON): A statutory order has been issued enjoining the catering estab'ishments in Delhi to serve only cereal-less foodstuffs on Monday evenings.

CULTIVATION OF CULTURABLE WASTE LANDS

*113. SHRI R. K. BHUWALKA: Will the Minister of FOOD, AGRI-CULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOP-MENT AND CO-OPERATION be pleased to state whether Government have any proposal under consideration to permit joint stock companies in respect of cultivation of culturable waste lands?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRIC. SUBRAMANIAM): This matter was considered and found not practicable.