

The important measures recommended by the Fourth Plan Working Group on welfare of backward classes to increase the employment opportunities of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe candidates are:—

- (i) Dissemination of information about training opportunities in various trades etc. in schools in the interior tribal areas.
- (ii) Provision of in-factory training in apprenticeship to have tribal boys in areas covered by new industries and other plan projects.
- (iii) Launching a special drive by the Employment Exchanges to attract candidates from Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and place them in various jobs notified to them.
- (iv) Increase in the number of training centres for gainful occupation.
- (v) Setting up of special employment exchanges in areas particularly where development projects have displaced the local tribals from their indigenous occupation.
- (vi) Wide publicity of vacancies in tribal areas.

All these recommendations will be examined.

CIVIL AVIATION DEVELOPMENT FUND

*12. SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Civil Aviation Development Fund has been created;
- (b) what is the present amount in the Fund; and
- (c) what are the sources of income of the Fund?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rupees one crores.

(c) Grant from Government.

SUGARCANE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTRES IN U.P.

*13. SHRI ARJUN ARORA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the attention of the Government of India has been drawn to the demand for establishing a Sugarcane Research and Development Centre in Eastern Uttar Pradesh; and
- (b) if so, what action is proposed to be taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

MINIMUM PRICES OF KHARIF CEREALS

*14. SHRI S. C. DEB: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Prof. M. L. Dantwala, Chairman, Agricultural Prices Commission, while announcing the minimum prices of Kharif cereals for 1965-66, hinted in New Delhi on 10th June, 1965 that there would necessarily be upward trend of those minimum prices for the next three years; and

(b) if so, how it would effect the production of cereals?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

ABOLITION OF FOOD ZONE BETWEEN PUNJAB AND U.P.

*15. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal before Government to abolish the food