

श्री राम सहाय : क्या मैं यह जान सकूंगा कि कितने हरिजन परिवारों को इस स्कीम से लाभ पहुंचेगा ?

SHRIMATI VIOLET ALVA: As to the number of people, it is not easy to give. As regards the different States, most of the State Governments are working on the principles and acting on them, namely in respect of giving house sites and other assistance.

SHRI B. K. P. SINHA: Are Government aware that the building of separate colonies and separate hostels for Harijans prevents the integration of Harijans in the rest of society?

SHRIMATI VIOLET ALVA: Government is quite aware of that and it is considering this question.

SHRI B. K. P. SINHA: Why then are Government continuing this practice even now?

SHRIMATI VIOLET ALVA: We are encouraging co-operative societies which would be for all also.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: Has the hon. Minister's attention been drawn to the fact that the performance in this respect so far under the Second Five Year Plan is far below the target set in the Plan?

SHRIMATI VIOLET ALVA: Sir, it varies from State to State. In some States it has been a little below the target. It varies from region to region and from State to State.

CANTONMENT AT JORHAT IN ASSAM

*587. SHRI PURNA CHANDRA SHARMA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to establish a cantonment at Jorhat in Assam?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI V. K. KRISHNA MENON) : Government considers that it is not in the public

interest to disclose information about military establishments.

REPORT ON 'DOMESTIC FUELS IN INDIA'

*588. SHRI HARIHAR PATEL: Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND FUEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Council of Applied Economic Research has submitted a report on Domestic fuels in India;

(b) if so, what are the main suggestions contained in the report; and

(c) whether Government have accepted any of the suggestions?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND FUEL (SARDAR SWARAN SINGH) : (a) Yes. The report has since been published by the Council and is at present available in the market.

(b) The suggestions *inter alia* include a phased development of coal based energy processing industry, and, to begin with, the setting up of domestic coke plants at a few big cities.

(c) Government will take note of the Council's approach to various aspects while considering proposals for setting up domestic coke plants during the Third Plan period.

DOWNGRADING THE POST OF SUPERINTENDENT IN CENTRAL SECRETARIAT

*554. DIWAN CHAMAN LALL (ON BEHALF OF BABU GOPINATH SINGH): Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to downgrade the post of Superintendent in the Central Secretariat both in regard to its classification as also its scales of pay; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI B. N. DATAR) : (a) and (b)..