

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) The International Gateway of VSNL at Guwahati was inaugurated on 20th August, 2000. According to VSNL, this Gateway was primarily meant for meeting International Private Lease Circuit (IPLC) requirement of software houses, call centres etc. This Gateway was not used for providing International Internet connectivity.

(b) and (c) VSNL has reported that the gateway of VSNL at Guwahati is in operating condition since its inception.

(d) to (f) Internet connectivity to Internet Point of Presence (PoP) of VSNL at Guwahati is being provided through BSNL leased link between Kolkata and Guwahati.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

Working in CBI

†3557. SHRI RAMA SHANKER KAUSHIK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of employees in CBI alongwith the number of vacant posts;

(b) whether it is a fact that good and efficient personnel do not want to come on deputation or through any other means in CBI;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and what would be its impact on efficiency and working of CBI; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government to increase efficiency of CBI by providing facilities to its employees and to fill up the vacancies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE):

(a) As on 1.4.2003, against a sanctioned strength of 5920, there were 4943 employees in position with 977 vacant posts.

(b) to (d) Except for the posts of Deputy Superintendents of Police and Inspectors, the response of eligible officers to the recruitment initiatives has been encouraging. Poor response for these two categories may be attributed to better pay and promotion avenues in the State Governments

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and higher eligibility conditions for intake in the CBI. Existence of vacancies results in additional work load. The Government has taken appropriate steps to fill the vacancies. In 2002, a special recruitment drive enable filling 255 vacancies in the Central Bureau of Investigation.

Evaluation of PMRY

3558. DR. ABRAR AHMED:

SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA:

Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) when the last evaluation of the Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Yojana was done and the results thereof; and

(b) the details of the rate of loan recovered under it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI SANGH PRIYA GAUTAM): (a) The last evaluation of the Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Yojana (PMRY) (second round) was done in the year 2000-01 by the Institute of Applied Manpower Research (IAMR), New Delhi. The study pertained to the programme years 1995-96, 1996-97 and 1997-98. It covered 13 districts of 5 States namely; Assam, Andhra Pradesh, Manipur, Punjab and Rajasthan covering 16,397 beneficiaries. The important findings of the evaluation study (second round) are given in the Statement (See below).

(b) As per the reports received from Reserve Bank of India, the recovery of loan overdues under the Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana (PMRY) was 34.6 per cent for the year ended March, 2002.

Statement

Important Findings of the Evaluation Study of the Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana (Second Round)

- (i) 61.3% of beneficiaries belong to General category, 25.6% to OBCs, 11.0% to SCs and 2.1% to STs, Proportion of women is 14%.
- (ii) Sanction is 81.6% of target and 74.7% of sanctioned cases are disbursed.
- (iii) Average amount of loan disbursed is Rs. 57,403/- per beneficiary.
- (iv) employment generated is 1.94 persons per functional unit.