

(a) whether the Planning Commission has formulated any scheme to issue employment cards;

(b) if so, the purpose thereof:

(c) whether there was any such scheme earlier also; and

(d) if so, the difference between the previous and the present schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) There is at present a practice of workers in certain sectors of employment being given an identity card which enables them and their dependents to have access to welfare/social security benefits and ensures their safety and protection. For instance, there is a provision in the Beedi Workers Welfare Fund Rules, 1978 that the owner of an establishment, factory or contractor engaged in the manufacture of beedis shall issue to every employee an identity card. The Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act, 1970 also provides for issue of employment cards by the contractor to the employees. The Inter-State Migrant Workmen (Conditions of Service) Act, 1979 provides for the issue of a pass-book to every Inter-State migrant workmen.

(d) Does not arise.

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Schemes for Poor

4006. SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to formulate any new economic schemes to lift people above poverty line;

(b) if so the details of the schemes; and

(c) the targets fixed under such schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN): (a) to (c). During the Eighth Five Year Plan, the Government expects to have a comprehensive programme for economic upliftment of the poor, primarily through maximising productive employment opportunities. Details would be incorporated in the Eighth Five Year Plan Document.

Expansion of Midhani

4007. SHRI RAJAMOHANA REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the turnover of metallurgical materials in Mishra Dhatu Nigam Limited at Hyderabad in 1989-90;

(b) whether there is any proposal to expand MIDHANI unit of Hyderabad to meet the export orders; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) The sales turn over of metallurgical products of Mishra Dhatu Nigam Limited, Hyderabad, for the year 1989-90 was Rs. 41.69 crores (Provisional).

(b) No, Sir.

(c) does not arise.