Involvement of MPs in Development Works

4223. DR. A.K. PATEL: SHRI PYARELAL KHANDEL-WAL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the reply given on 18th May, 1990 to Starred Question No. 887 regarding funds for development and state:

- (a) whether the issue relating to allocation for each Parliamentary Constituency for undertaking development works on the suggestions of the concerned members of Parliament has since been re-examined;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the time by which it will be finalised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PRO-GRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN): (a) to (c). The question of mode of associating MPs with developmental activities in their respective constituencies and resources allocated for such developmental work is under consideration.

[Translation]

Special Employment Programme of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes

4220. SHRI DALPAT SINGH PAR-ASTE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of scheduled castes and scheduled tribes provided employment under special employment programme during the last one year;

- (b) whether due to non-availability of eligible candidates for some special service area the reserved vacancy have not been filled so far; and
- (c) if so, the measures being taken by Government in this regard?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISH-WANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) The number of candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes who were offered appointment under the Special Recruitment Drive carried out during 1989 are indicated below:--

Ministries/Departments		
of the Government of India	***	31243
Public Sector Undertakings		8125
Public Sector banks		8084
Insurance Corporations		3023

(b) and (c). Another drive has been launched during the current year to fill up the backlog of reservations as on 31.3.90 including the reserved vacancies left unfilled in the drive carried out last year.

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Foodgrain storage through Radiation Technology

4225. SHRI NATHU SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether plans have been chalked out to preserve foodgrains and other food items through radiation technology;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether this technology is completely safe, if not, what impacts it will have on human being who are going to consume