

would be incorporated in the Plan Document.

### **Widening of Tanakpur-Tawaghat Motor Road in U.P.**

2110. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal in the current Five Year Plan for widening of Tanakpur-Tawaghat (U.P.) Motor Road or for the construction of an alternative motor road for this area; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[English]

### **Scheme for Greening of the Himalayas**

2111. SHRIMATI BASAVARAJESWARI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the national mission on waste lands development has initiated a scheme for greening of the Himalayas;

(b) if so, whether a comprehensive scheme has been prepared in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the total expenditure to be incurred thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI):

(a) Under the newly introduced scheme for Integrated Wastelands Development, projects for 'greening' of the Himalayas are being taken up.

(b) and (c). The main components of the scheme are:

- (i) micro-planning for integrated wastelands development;
- (ii) conservation of selected ecologically fragile areas like the Western Himalayas, Aravallies and Western Ghats;
- (iii) technology extension for special problem lands; and
- (iv) regeneration of degraded forest areas through natural regeneration supplemented by planting wherever necessary, with main focus on raising indigenous species for providing fuelwood, fodder, small timber, minor forest produce, etc.

(d) During 1989-90, 10 projects have been sanctioned in the States of Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh for total amount of Rs. 308.90 lakhs. The outlay for the Eighth Plan has not been decided.

### **Assistance from Abroad to Combat Pollution**

2112. SHRIMATI BASAVA RAJESWARI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have decided to seek assistance from abroad to combat pollution in the country;

(b) if so, the countries which have been approached;

(c) the extent to which these countries have agreed to help India;

(d) whether any agreement has been reached in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) to (e). As a part of international environmental co-operation, the Netherlands, United Kingdom and Federal Republic of Germany are assisting India for pollution control. A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed with the Netherlands in January, 1988 on Environmental Cooperation. Under the MOU, the Netherlands are assisting India in control of pollution in some rivers, control of pollution from thermal power plants and other major polluting industries. The Federal Republic of Germany is assisting in strengthening of laboratories. The United Kingdom is assisting in the Ganga Action Plan and in cleaning the waterways of Madras.

[*Translation*]

#### **Military Science in Educational Institutions**

2113. SHRI HARIKEWAL PRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to make military science a compulsory subject in all educational institutions; and

(b) if so, by what time and from which level?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

#### **Space Centre near Delhi**

2114. SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a Space Centre near Delhi; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) There is no proposal to set up any major Space Centre near Delhi in addition to the following existing Space Centres:

- (1) Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Trivandrum
- (2) Space Applications Centre, Ahmedabad
- (3) ISRO Satellite Centre, Bangalore
- (4) SHAR Centre, Sriharikota; and
- (5) Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre at Valiamala Bangalore.

(b) Does not arise.

#### **Migration of Ph.D. Degree Holders**

2115. SHRI RAJVEER SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: