

(b) the structure of such Committees; and

(c) the other innovative systems proposed for the spread of education in rural areas during 1995-96 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) Under the 73rd Constitution Amendment primary education is one of the subjects which can devolve on Panchayat Raj bodies. The Village Education Committee is envisaged as the main instrument for facilitating decentralised planning and management of education at the village level.

(b) While the actual structure varies from State to State the Village Education Committee is envisaged to have broad based representation including elected officials of the Panchayats, headmaster of the village primary school, parents and representatives of weaker sections.

(c) A major initiative launched by the Government during 1995-96 is the National Programme of Nutritional Support to Primary Education.

#### Bank Loans under N.R.Y.

\*38. SHRI R. SURENDER REDDY : Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have launched a nationwide drive for speeding up disposal of applications under the Nehru Rozgar Yojana (NRY) and the Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme (PMIUPEP);

(b) if so, the details thereof and the objectives achieved thereby;

(c) whether the Government have decided to expand the coverage under PMIUPEP so as to include more hilly towns of some of the States; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DEPARTMENT OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION) AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA) : (a) and (b). A time bound programme to prepare and dispose of cases under Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme (PMIUPEP) was adopted in the Conference of State Ministers, Secretaries in charge of Urban Poverty Eradication & Housing Programmes held on 15.1.1996. The banks have also been advised to improve their performance under Scheme of Urban Micro Enterprises (SUME) of Nehru Rozgar Yojana (NRY).

A fortnight (February 10-25, 1996) dedicated to self-employment and shelter upgradation was also observed with a view to reach the benefits of the Programme to a large number of urban poor and expedite the disposal of the cases.

(c) and (d). Yes, Sir. The Programme has been extended to 74 district towns in the States of North-Eastern region, Sikkim, Himachal Pradesh, J&K and Garhwal & Kumaon regions of Uttar Pradesh.

#### Jamuna River Front

\*39. SHRI SRIKANTA JENA :

SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN :

Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether a plan for the development of Jamuna river front was formulated by DDA;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a substantial portion of the river front proposed to be developed has been encroached upon;

(d) if so, the estimated area of the land encroached upon; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government to develop the land encroached upon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DEPARTMENT OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION) AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Master Plan for Delhi 2001 (MPD-2001) designates Yamuna River front stretching from Wazirabad barrage in the north upto the National Capital Territory boundary in the south as Zone 'O'. The Master plan aims at making the river Yamuna pollution-free through various measures. On the big expanse of its banks, large recreational areas are to be developed as an integral part of the city both from physical and aesthetic points of view. MPD-2001 suggests that after the results of the model studies for the channelisation of the river become available, development of the river front should be taken up as a project of special significance for the city, giving due consideration to ecological aspects. The work of model studies for channelisation of river Yamuna has been completed by the Central Water and Power Research Station, Pune. On the basis of these studies, the planning of the river front between Nizamuddin Railway Bridge and Sarai Kalekhan-Mayur Vihar Pontoon Bridge covering 490 Ha has been taken up in consultation with Irrigation and Flood Control Department of the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) and (e). An approximate area of 30 Ha of land belonging to DDA is under encroachment. During the last three years encroachment/unauthorised construction to the extent of 10 Ha approximately has been removed from this area.

#### Nuclear Power Station

\*40. SHRI RAMA KRISHNA KONATHALA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to State :