

(c) A proposal to construct two warehouses in district Howrah is at present under the consideration of the Central Warehousing Corporation.

[*Translation*]

**Setting up of a T.V. Relay Centre
in Songadh**

979. SHRI C. D. GAMIT : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether a demand has been made to set up a T.V. relay centre in Songadh tribal area in Surat District in Gujarat;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto; and

(c) the time by which T.V. relay centre is likely to be set up in Songadh and the details of the action taken by Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL) : (a) Requests for extending TV coverage in Surat district have been received from time to time.

(b) and (c). A low power TV transmitter was commissioned at Surat on 29-7-84. There is no approved scheme, at present, to set up a TV Relay Centre at Songadh.

[*English*]

**Formation of Employment Policy for
the Seventh Five Year Plan**

980. SHRI BHOLA NATH SEN : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have framed its employment policy for the Seventh Five Years Plan period 1985-90; and

(b) the details of the policy, projections for employment in different sectors by 1985-90 and how the policy is proposed to be implemented ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI T. ANJIAH) (a) and (b). The Approach Paper to the Seventh Five Years Plan (1985-90) states that the generation of

gainful employment through integration of the sectoral production plans with employment plans and enlargement of on-going employment programmes under a National Employment Programme to cover specific target groups will be emphasized in the Seventh Plan. Employment schemes will aim at the creation of durable assets, skill formation and generation of permanent and continuing employment with progressively increasing income levels. In addition, the schemes will continue to promote self employment in economically viable activities backed up by the requisite training, credit, marketing and organisational linkages. Projections for employment in different sectors by 1985-90 are not available.

**Incentives to Farmers to Boost
Production**

981. SHRI BHOLA NATH SEN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the incentives proposed to be provided to the farmers to encourage increase in production of various crops and to ensure fair and remunerative prices to them for the produce ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BUTA SINGH) : Apart from fixing the support prices of major agricultural commodities at remunerative levels, Government provide subsidy on a wide range of agricultural inputs in order to encourage production. These subsidies are given for specific inputs as well as agricultural operations. In addition, demonstrations and training are also subsidised. For example, Government arrange supply of required quantity of chemical fertilizers to farmers at subsidised prices through sale points established throughout the country. Government also provide subsidy for encouraging usage of inputs like seeds, pesticides etc. under different programmes. Moreover, the electricity tariff, irrigation charges as well as interest rates have been kept lower for agricultural purposes. Efforts are being made to improve the delivery systems of agricultural inputs to encourage farmers to take to improved technology. In various subsidy programmes, small and marginal farmers are