

any Pitambra Patra National Environment Scholarship for promotion of and specialisation in any branch of environmental sciences in 1978; and

(b) if so, the names of prominent scholars to whom the scholarships was given in the last three years and the details of important research done by them and their contribution towards development of research in the field?

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 RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON):

(a) and (b). No, Sir. However, the Government instituted the Pitambar Pant National Environment Fellowship Award in 1978 to encourage and recognise excellence in any branch of research related to environmental sciences. Names of Awardees and details of research undertaken in the last three years are given below:

<i>Year of Award</i>	<i>Name of the Awardee</i>	<i>Details of research undertaken</i>
1	2	3
1987	Prof. S.C. Pandeya	Since 1988, the Awardee has been working on the research project entitled "Fodder self sufficiency as combatant of the desert and desertification with reference to Western India."
1988	Dr. V.M. Meher Homji	The Awardee will shortly be undertaking research project entitled "A conservation strategy for India in relation to vegetation strata, bio-climatic conditions and palaeo-Environment".
1989	Dr. K.N. Mehrotra	The Awardee will shortly be undertaking research project entitled "Environmental Impact of Pesticides in India".

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**Minor Forest produce Plantation in Orissa**

4925. SHRI BHAJMAN BEHERA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state the names of minor forest produce plantations and number of such plantations provided free or planted by the agencies in

Jaipur Agricultural district and in Dhenkanal district of Orissa?

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 RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): Central assistance has been provided to the Government of Orissa for raising minor for-

est produce plantations in the districts of Keonjhar, Kalahandi, Sundargarh, Mayurbhanj, Balasore, Sambalpur, Phulbani, Koraput and Dhenkanal. During the Seventh Plan period, Rs. 74.80 lakhs were provided by the National Wastelands Development Board to cover 2848 hectares area.

**Assistances to States for Implementing Motor Vehicle Act**

4926. SHRI VENKATA KRISHNA REDDY KASU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Governments have adequate financial resources towards being the required pollution control equipments to implement the new Motor Vehicle Act in effective manner;

(b) if not, whether Union Government propose to give financial assistance to State Governments in this regard; and

(c) 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 RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) to (c). Under the centrally sponsored

Centre-State coordinated programme on environment, the Government of India have approved the purchase of equipment for measurement of vehicular emissions.

**Social Forestry in Andaman and Nicobar Islands**

4927. SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any targets were set up for Social Forestry Programme in Andaman and Nicobar Islands during the Seventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the targets for social forestry fixed for the Eighth Five Year Plan for Andaman and Nicobar Islands?

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 RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) and (b). The targets and achievements for Afforestation and Tree Planting activities under the 20 Point Programme, which includes Social Forestry, for the Seventh Five Year Plan are given below:—

	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90
	(Seedlings in lakhs)				
Targets	95.00	122.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Achievements	95.00	122.32	100.43	107.59	105.79*

\*Upto February, 1990

(c) For the Eighth Five year Plan targets have not been fixed so far. The proposed

target for 1990-91 under the 20 Point programme is given below:—