ogy items needed by Defence.

Rare Earth Refining Project at Mysore

4966. SHRI H. C. SRIKANTAIAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Rare Earth Refining Project has been taken up at Mysore in Karnataka:
- (b) if so, how many kilometers away from Mysore City and K.R.S. reservoir it is situated:
- (c) whether any leakage of waste from the plant is reaching K.R.S. reservoir; and
- (d) if so, the action taken to prevent the same?

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) A rare Materials Plant is being set up in Mysore district.

- (b) It is about 18 Kms. away from Mysore City and about 8 Kms. away from K.R.S. Reservoir.
 - (c) No, sir.
 - (d) Does not arise.

Combined Entrance Examination for B. E. Course

- 4967. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Delhi University has recently decided to hold a combined entrance examination for admission to B. E.

Course in Faculty of Technology consisting of Delhi College of Engineering and Delhi Institute of Technology on 2 June, 1990;

- (b) whether the said examination is meant for the Students of Delhi and the non-Delhi students will be admitted on the basis of marks obtained in Class XII examination:
- (c) if so, the reasons for the departure from the previous well established practice; and
- (d) whether Government propose to reconsider the issue and scrap the proposed written examination and the admission done on the basis of the marks obtained as was the past practice in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOL-OGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) to (c). According to the information furnished by the University of Delhi and Delhi Administration the University has decided to introduce the Combined Entrance Examination for admission to B.E. courses for students of Delhi in order to remove difficulties due to alleged differences in standards of the three different Board examinations being conducted at Class XII level in Delhi and to avoid delay due to late declaration/revision of results. For outside Delhi students, 15% seats have been reserved on pro-rata basis for other states and Union Territories and admission against these seats will be made on the basis of marks obtained in Class XII level examination.

(d) Decision to determine the method and criteria for admission to these two institutions is within the purview of the University of Delhi to which they are affiliated.

Rationlisation of Pay Scales of EDP Posts

4968. SHRI RAMDAS SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: