years of age, whichever is earlier. Vice-Chancellors of Indira Gandhi National Open University, Visva-Bharati, Jawaharlal Nehru University and the University of Delhi are not eligible for reappointment. There is no bar to the appointment of a person who has served as Vice-Chancellor of a Central University as Vice-Chancellor of another Central University. However only one incumbent Vice-Chancellor has served as Vice-Chancellor of a Central University earlier.

The procedure for appointment of Vice-Chancellors of Central Universities provides adequate opportunities for both experienced persons and new

talent. The position in respect of Vice-Chancellors of State Universities is, by and large, similar.

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Unemployed MBBS Doctors

1721. DR. JAYANTA RONGPI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state the number of unemployed MBBS doctors in the country at present, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT

Number of Graduates (including Post Graduates) in medicine on the Live Register of Employment Exchanges in the country as on 31-12-89

States Union Territories		No. of Graduates (including Post Graduates) in Medicine on the L. R. on 31-12-89
1.	Andhra Prødesh	2537
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	Nil
3.	Assam	224
4.	Bihar	1314
5.	Goa	217
6.	Gujarat	635
7.	Haryana	874
8.	Himachal Pradesh	205
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	38
10.	Karnataka	826
11.	Kerala	2179
12.	Madhya Pradesh	658
13.	Maharashtra	37 9 4
14.	Manipur	130
15.	Meghalaya	. 2
16.	Mizoram	11
17.	Nagaland	Nil
18.	Orissa	1430
19.	Punjab	274
20.	Rajasthan	1861

States/Union Territories		No. of Graduates (including Pos Graduates) in Medicine on the L. R. on 31-12-89	
21.	Sikkim*		
22.	Tamil Nadu	3729	
23.	Tripura	17	
24.	Uttar Pradesh	1348	
25.	West Bengal	3443	
U	nion Territories		
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	3	
2.	Chandigarh	731	
3.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	. 7 %	
4.	Delhi	3972	
5.	Daman & Diu**		
6.	Lakshadweep	7	
7.	Pondicherry	398	
	TOTAL	30869	

NOTE:— 1. *No Employment Exchange is functioning in this State.

- 2.**Data are not maintained.
- 3. All those who are on the live register of employment exchange are not necessarily unemployed. Further, registration being voluntary, all the unemployed do not register themselves with employment exchanges.

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Plantation Schemes in Rajasthan

1722. SHRI RAM NARAIN BER-WA: Will the Minister of ENVIRON-MENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the area under forest in Rajas-than;
- (b) whether the Government have initiated plantation schemes in Thar Desert and Aravali Hills;
- (c) if so, the details of work executed; and
- (d) the financial assistance provided for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI

KAMAL NATH): (a) Total forest area of Rajasthan is 31.15 lakh hectares.

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- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) The total area covered under various Central and State Plan Schemes including the World Bank aided Social Forestry Project in Rajasthan during the Seventh Five Year Plan is 2.84 lakh hectares. Total expenditure under all these schemes is Rs. 125.79 crores.
- (d) Total financial assistance provided to Rajasthan under various Centrally Sponsored afforestation schemes/programmes during 1990-91 and 1991-92 is Rs. 10.49 crores.