

Publication of Books by NCERT

5281. SHRIMATI GIRIJA DEVI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to publish all the books on various subjects prescribed by Central Board of Secondary Education through Council for Educational Research and Training;

(b) if so, the details thereof and

(c) the time by which proposal is likely to be implemented?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Does not arise.

[English]

Yamuna Action Plan

5282. SHRI SRIBALLAV PANIGRAHI:
SHRI N.J. RATHVA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any financial/technical assistance from other countries particularly from Japan for Yamuna Action Plan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) and (b). No assistance has been received from

my country for the Yamuna Action Plan so far.

Afforestation in Railways

5283. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR:
SHRI HARISH NARAYAN PRABHU ZANTYE:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the afforestation programme of the Railways and the area of surplus railway land on which plantation has been carried out;

(b) the amount spent thereon during each of the last three years;

(c) whether fruit yielding and firewood trees have also been planted under this programme;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (e). A statement is attached.

STATEMENT

(a) Afforestation on vacant railway land in colonies, yards, near station workshops, major level crossings, etc. is carried out by Railways departmentally. Plantation on railway land along the track in between stations is also done by Forest Department of State Government, to whom the land is licensed for this purpose at a nominal licence fee. The area of railway land on which plantation has been carried out is about 35,000 hectare, which is, however, required for Railways' future use.