S. No.	Particulars of ROBs	
4.	-do-	at Ramakrishnapuram L.C. No. 252
5.	-do-	at Zaheerabad
6.	-do-	at Nizamabad
7.	-do-	at Madhira L.C. No. 129
. 8.	-do-	at Chirala L.C. No. 244
9.	-do-	at Narsaraopet
10.	-do-	at Koduru L.C. No. 84
11.	-do-	at Mehboobabad L.C. No. 82
12.	-do-	at Sitafalmandi.

(c) Due to constraint of resources, the proposed new line will have to wait till the resources position improves.

As regards ROBs, these would be taken up gradually. Of these 2 nos., i.e. items 5 & 8, have been included in the Railway's Works Programme for 1994-95.

New Railway lines in Kerala

3042. PROF P.J. KURIAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have any proposals for laying of new Railway lines in Kerala between Thakashy-Tiruvalla-Punaloor and Chengannor-Kolarekara-Trivandrum; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Price of Essential Commodities

3043. SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES. CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the government monitors the prices of 10 and 12 essential commodities on daily basis or on a weekly basis:
- (b) whether the Government have decided to interfere in the market by releasing foodgrains;

- (c) whether his Ministry has pointed out that the inflation rate has been halved in the current year, if so, the facts thereof;
- (d) whether the Government have considered monitoring of the prices on the basis of quotations from 55 selected retails/wholesale centre throughout the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFÄIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) The Government is monitoring the prices of 10 essential commodities namely rice, wheat, sugar, gram dal, arhar, groundnut oil, mustard/rapeseed oil, vanaspati, tea, and salt on a daily basis. In addition to the above the prices of onions and potatoes are also monitored on a weekly basis.

- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) On the basis of provisional figures of wholesale price index numbers, the rate of inflation up to second week of July, 1993 was estimated at nearly half of the level of last year's corresponding period. However, the final figures had shown slightly higher rate of inflation but very much lower than that of last year's corresponding period. On the basis of the latest available provisional figures of wholesale price index numbers, the rate of inflation up to the last week of November, 1993 was almost identical to that of corresponding period of last year.
 - (d) No, Sir.
 - (e) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Voluntary/Autonomous Institutions

3044. SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT: SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHFI A

Will the Minister of HUMAN RE-SOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the criteria adopted for providing financial assistance to voluntary/autonomous institutions;
- (b) the details of the voluntary/autonomous institutions to which financial assistance was proposed to be given by the Government during the Eighth Five Year Plan and the amount actually provided to them so far;
- (c) the amount proposed to be given during the remaining years of the Plan:
- (d) the number of complaints received by the Government through internal audit and other sources regarding financial irregularities committed by these institutions during the last three years; and
- (e) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DE-VELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDU-CATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CUL-TURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) For receiving financial assistance, generally a voluntary organisation is required to be a registered society, public trust or non