

5. Blood Bank, Govt. Headquarters Hospital, Vijayawada.
6. Blood Bank, Govt. Headquarters Hospital, Kasim Nagar.
7. Blood Bank, Government Headquarters Hospital, Cuddapah
8. Blood Bank, Government Headquarter's Hospital, Kammam.
9. Blood Bank, Govt. Headquarter's Hospital, Chittor.
10. Blood Bank, Medical College, Tirupati.
11. Blood Bank, Guntur Medical College, Guntur.
12. Blood Bank, General Hospital, Kurnool.

[English]

Tidal Power Projects

1240. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the results likely to be achieved from the Tidal Power Projects underway in the Sunderbans, West Bengal; and

(b) the stage at which these projects stand at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) The preparation of a Feasibility Report on a proposed Tidal Power Plant of approximately 2 MW capacity at the Durgaduani Creek in the Sunderbans, West Bengal, has been sanctioned to the Govt. of West Bengal in November, 1994 at a total cost of Rs.8 lakhs. Besides the Govt. of West Bengal, the other participating organisations in this Study are the National Institute of Ocean Technology, Madras, and the Indian Institute of Technology, Madras. Investment decisions on the project will be taken after considering the Feasibility Report.

Civil Services Examination

1241. SHRI HARADHAN ROY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of candidates appeared in the Civil services Examination during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise; and

(b) the number out of them selected in the IAS during this period, year-wise and State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b) The information regarding candidates who appeared from the centres located in the various States in Civil Services (Main) Examination during the years 1991 and 1992 is given in the enclosed statement. The Union Public Service Commission, concerned with the conduct of Civil Services Examination, has since decided not to compile and maintain the State-wise data of the candidates who have appeared in the Civil Services Examination. The total number of candidates selected to the IAS during each of the Civil Services Examination, 1991, 1992 and 1993 was 80.

STATEMENT

Centre-Wise No. of Candidates Appeared in Civil Services (Main) Examination in Each State during 1991 and 1992

State	1991	1992
Andhra Pradesh	841	975
Assam	170	148
Bihar	980	1153
Himachal Pradesh	63	76
Gujarat	142	117
Jammu & Kashmir	39	32
Karnataka	192	229
Kerala	103	120
Madhya Pradesh	352	359
Maharashtra	400	394
Orissa	295	295
Rajasthan	562	468
Tamil Nadu	257	285
Union Territories	3805	3509
Uttar Pradesh	1953	1887
West Bengal	272	255

Rural Housing

1242. SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDDIN OWASI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether India and Singapore have agreed to give a substantial boost to bilateral cooperation, including areas like rural housing;

(b) if so, whether any agreement has been signed; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI HARJIBHAI PATEL): (a) Yes Sir. When the Hon'ble Prime Minister had met the Hon'ble Prime Minister of Singapore Mr. Goh on 4th Jan., 1995, the subject of bilateral cooperation in the field of rural housing had come up for discussion.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Indian Rare Earth Ltd.

1243. SHRI GOPI NATH GAJAPATHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production is declining in the Indian Rare Earth Ltd. (IRE) set up in Orissa;

(b) if so, since when the production has declined;

(c) the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken to increase the production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND DEPARTMENT OF SPACE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI): (a) and (b) Production has shown a decline since 1991-92.

(c) Desired capacity utilisation was not achieved, primarily due to technical short-comings, failure of critical equipment, and disruption in water and power supply.