

(a) the main decisions taken at the conference of Rehabilitation Ministers of the States held during February ; and

(b) the future schemes of Rajasthan Government for rehabilitation purpose and the details of the Central assistance, proposed for implementing these schemes ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL SECURITY (SHRI ARUN NEHRU) : (a) and (b) The Conference was mainly convened to review the progress of implementation of Rehabilitation schemes in the various States and Union Territories. It was decided that the States should carefully examine and identify the residuary work to be done and also assign specific tasks to be completed within a definite time frame. It was also felt that such discussions should be held at more frequent intervals. No new schemes are contemplated by the Government of India because all the eligible DP families have been settled in schemes which are almost complete. There is some residual work pertaining to infrastructural facilities like schools, medical facilities, etc. which the Govt. of Rajasthan is taking steps to complete. The Central Government have sanctioned an amount of Rs. 223.20 lakhs for providing infrastructural facilities in the State. The State Government, however, propose to provide subsidiary assistance to these displaced persons under the centrally sponsored Integrated Rural Development Programme.

[English]

Companies Manufacturing TV Sets

3440. SHRI MOHANBHAI PATEL : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the number of companies in public and private sector which are manufacturing TV sets in the country and their annual production;

(b) the number of public sector and private sector companies which are engaged in manufacturing CTV sets and their annual production; and

(c) whether any foreign company has been granted a licence to manufacture CTV sets in the country, if so, details and terms and conditions thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL) : (a) 13 units in the public sector and 190 units in the private sector have reported manufacture of TV sets. Their annual production, during 1985, was 2.37 lakh nos. and 22.23 lakh nos. respectively.

(b) 11 units in the public sector and 78 units in the private sector have reported manufacture of CTV sets. Their annual production, during 1985, was 1.19 lakh nos. and 5.41 lakh nos. respectively.

(c) No. foreign company (i. e. a company with more than 40% foreign equity) has been granted industrial licence by the Government for manufacture of CTV sets in the country.

[Translation]

Plantation of trees

3441. SHRI SIMON TIGGA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have formulated a scheme to plant trees on a large scale; and

(b) whether tribal areas will be given priority in this matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI) : (a) The Government have taken policy decision to undertake a massive programme of afforestation, to achieve an annual target of 5 million ha. in the country by the end of the VII Five-Year Plan. The National Wastelands Development Board has been constituted to promote, coordinate and monitor the programme.

(b) Afforestation effort would generally be intensive in the tribal areas due to the tribal habitats being largely in hilly areas, which need urgent attention. The planting of species yielding fuelwood, fodder and fruit in particular would be emphasised, so as to meet the needs of the rural poor, including the tribals.