

in Delhi/New Delhi and Parliament House canteen;

(b) whether all the Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe candidates have been screened, if not, the reasons therefor and how much time it will take for their screening;

(c) whether all of them have been given temporary status, if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether all the quota meant for Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes in the catering department of Northern Railway has been filled up and whether there is any shortfall of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe candidates in the above department; and

(e) if so, the efforts made to wipe out the shortfall of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe candidates?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (e). The information is being collected from Northern Railway and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

Allotment of Book Stalls

3981. SHRI P. KANNAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new book stalls allotted to the unemployed graduates at railway stations in Southern Railway; and

(b) the steps Government are taking to provide more opportunities to the deserving vendors and vendors belonging to backward sections who are desirous of forming cooperative societies for running these railway book stalls?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI

MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Eighteen.

(b) As per policy, all new bookstall contracts are reserved for unemployed graduates, their partnership Associations etc. and cooperative societies of actual workers and vendors.

Environmental Clearance of Projects from Madhya Pradesh

3982. SHRI PRATAP BHANU SHARMA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Madhya Pradesh Government has recently sent some irrigation projects of Raisen district for environmental clearance;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the likely date by which it will be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI): (a) to (c). No irrigation project of Raisen district of Madhya Pradesh has been received for environmental clearance. However, two proposals of this District, namely, Upper Palakmati Tank Project and Modha Irrigation Tank Project have been received in this Ministry in January and March, 1987 respectively for diversion of forest land under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. As requisite information was not available from the project proponents, the cases have been closed by the Ministry.

Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff in Aided Schools of Delhi and Representation of SCs/STs

3983. SHRI GANGA RAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state: