[Translation]

Examination for non-technical jobs in Madras

5148. SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA: DR. CHINTA MOHAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that examination for non-technical jobs in Railways was held in Madras in November, 1987;

(b) if so, the number of candidates appeared in this examination;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the question papers of this examination had leaked out prior to the examination;

(d) if so, the facts in this regard; and

(e) whether Government have conducted an inquiry into this case and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MIN-ISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) About 1,79,000 candidates were called for the written examinations held by Railway Recruitment Board, Madras.

(c) There is no such report.

(d) and (e). Do not arise.

[English]

Refrigerated Wagons for Transportation of Perishable Food Items

5149. SHRI VIJAY N. PATIL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have fixed target to provide refrigerated wagons for quick and safe transportation of perishable food items during the Seventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the number of refrigerated

wagons with the Railways upto the end of October, 1987; and

(c) the policy of the Railways regarding transportation of perishable items through refrigerated wagons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MIN-ISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir. A few refrigerated vans were manufactured in the past for transportation of perishable items but the same were not sufficiently patronised.

(b) At present only 4 refrigerated vans are available with the Railways.

(c) Railways are already transporting substantial quantum of perishable traffic like fruit and fish in brake-vans of passenger carrying trains, parcel vans as also in goods wagons.

Monopoly of Private Institutes for Computer Training

5150. SHRI SALEEM I. SHERVANI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DE-VELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that private institutes which conduct courses in computer programmes for training computer software personnel are very expensive and they have a sort of monopoly in this field in the absence of Government institutes training computer professionals;

(b) if so, the steps Government propose to take in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DE-PARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CUL-TURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RE-SOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KR-ISHNA SAHI): (a) The matters relating to planning computer manpower generally are looked after by the Department of Electronics. On the basis of information furnished by that Department, while Private Institutes conducting courses for training computer software personnel do tend to charge substantial fees, it is not true that