

Tilak Nagar, West Delhi;

(b) whether a decision was also taken to get the said land falling under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Urban Development transferred immediately to the Corporation for the purpose;

(c) whether the Municipal Corporation of Delhi had written to the Ministry in this regard, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the time by which the aforesaid land will be transferred to the Corporation and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRIDALBIR SINGH): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha in due course.

[English]

Appointment of Evictees of VSP

10075. SHRI BHATTAM SRIRAMAMURTHY: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of displaced persons who have so far been appointed in the Visakhapatnam Steel Plant out of the total number of 5000 to 6000 persons previously agreed to by Government to be absorbed;

(b) whether more people are likely to be absorbed by the time of completion of the first stage and the rest on the completion of second stage;

(c) to what extent the educational qualifications etc., were relaxed in respect of displaced persons and the details thereof; and

(d) the number of persons so far employed by the steel plant in all categories,

executive and non-executive separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Subject to availability of suitable displaced persons, the Visakhapatnam Steel Project proposes to employ 5000 of them. As on 24.3.1988, 2902 such persons have already been given employment.

(b) The absorption of more displaced persons will depend upon their suitability for the respective jobs.

(c) The details regarding the relaxations available for the displaced persons are as follows:-

- i) For Senior Trainees, the minimum qualification for the general candidates is a diploma in Engineering in the discipline notified to the Employment Exchange or a Science Degree with at least 60% marks. The minimum qualification for the displaced persons is a diploma in any discipline or an ordinary degree without any regard to the percentage of marks;
- ii) For Junior Trainees, with ITI qualification without any restriction regarding notified trade or percentage of marks as against general ITI qualification in the notified trade with 60% marks;
- iii) 25% qualifying marks in written tests against general 50%;
- iv) Age limit of 35 years as against general 25 years for Senior and Junior Trainees;
- v) Appointment as Assistant Train-

ees without Stenography qualification;

- vi) Displaced persons who have passed 10th Class are absorbed as Assistant Technicians after 18 months' training. Those who have passed 8th Class or 9th Class are given training for 30 months and thereafter they are also absorbed as Assistant Technicians.

(d) The number of executives and Non-Executives as on 24.3.1988 were as follow:-

Executive :

Employees : 1119

Trainees : 175

Non-Executives :

Employees : 2927

Trainees : 3046

Allotment of Shops to SC & ST by DDA

10076. SHRI VAKKOM PURUSHOTHAMAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi Development Authority has invited applications for allotment of 160 shops for persons belonging to SC/ST in different parts of Delhi recently;

(b) if so, the total number of applications received; and

(c) the date on which the draw for allotment of shops is to be held?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

(SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. DDA has invited applications for allotment of shops/stalls to persons belonging to SC/ST. The number of shops/ stalls to be allotted to SC/ST is 175 and not 160.

(b) Total number of applications received is 12,732.

(c) The draw is likely to be held by the first week of July, 1988.

Application of Nuclear Science in the Field of Agriculture

10077. SHRI AMARSINH RATHAWA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of important research in agriculture being done through the application of nuclear science;

(b) the details of achievement thereof;

(c) whether any experiment has been made to bring rain through the application of nuclear sciences, if so, the result achieved;

(d) whether such experiments have done in some foreign countries and have proved to be successful; and

(e) if so, whether Government propose to import such technology to solve the problem of scarcity of water and also to boost up the agricultural production?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EDUCATION IN THE
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARI
KRISHNA SHASTRI):** (a) Nuclear science is being used in the development of improved crop varieties, efficient and judicious use of fertilizers, pesticides, preservation of fruits, vegetables, grains, spices, etc.