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- (b) Yes, Sir. The unfilled posts will now be kept as backlog vacancies till suitable SC/ ST candidates become available...
- (c) Yes, Sir, Special Recruitment exclusively for SC/ST candidates is undertaken by every recruiting office of the LIC if the general recruitment does not vield adequate number of SC/ST candidates.
 - (d) Does not arise.

[English]

Satellite Stations Around Delhi

6455. PROF. RAMKRISHNA MORE: SHRI BANWARI LAL PURO-HIT:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government propose to develop satellite stations around Delhi in view of recent stampede at the New Delhi railway station:
 - (b) if so, the full details thereof;
- (c) whether the congestion at the existing main stations in Delhi in increasing rapidly; and
- (d) the steps Government propose to take to decongest the stations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). Long before the recent unfortunate incident of stampede at New Delhi station, proposals had been initiated, in consultation with the Delhi Development Authority, for developing satellite stations at Holambi Kalan, Bijwasan and Anand Vihar. Sanction has already been accorded for acquisition of the requisite land at all 3 locations. The former 2 will be developed, in phases, as passengercum-freight terminals and the third as a passenger terminal.

(c) Yes, Sir.

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(d) By developing the aforesaid directional terminals, the pressure of traffic at New Delhi and Delhi Junction is expected to be relioved. In addition, it is also proposed to augment the platform facilities at New Delhi by shifting the existing goods shed to Holambi Kalan and part of the coach maintenance facilities to Hazrat Nizamuddin.

[Translation]

Upper Sakri Project of Bihar

6456. SHRI KUNWAR RAM: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Upper Sakri Project of Bihar has been cleared by Union Government:
- (b) if so, the progress made in this regard;
- (a) the funds proposed to be given to sovernment of Bihar during 1989-90; and
- (d) the amount proposed to be spent on this project during the Eighth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI KARISHNA SAHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d). The project is not included in the Seventh Plan while the Eighth Plan proposals of Bihar have not been finalised.