

[*Translation*]

Setting up Mineral based Industries in Bastar (M.P.)

7168. SHRI MANKURAM SODI: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications for grant of letters of intent received from Madhya Pradesh Government during the years 1987-88 and 1988-89 for setting up industries based on minerals, particularly in Bastar district; and

(b) the number of letters of intent issued by Union Government during the aforesaid period with details of industries proposed to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) and (b). The information is being collected and shall be laid on the Table of the House.

[*English*]

Failure of Monsoon in Tamil Nadu

7169. SHRI N. DENNIS: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the failure of monsoon in Tamil Nadu during the current year has affected agricultural production; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) During the South-west monsoon season 1988, Tamil Nadu had received about 40 cms. of rains which was 24 per cent more than the normal rainfall. During North-east monsoon season of 1988,

however, the rainfall was deficient. But agricultural production in Tamil Nadu during the current year is not adversely affected because of good rains received in the South-west monsoon season.

(b) Does not arise.

English Medium Teacher Training College in Delhi

7170. SHRI P.R. KUMARAMANGALAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether in Delhi there is not a single English Medium Teacher Training College leading to poor teaching standards in Delhi Schools;

(b) whether Happy Hours Foundation, Delhi had started a Training Institute but this was discontinued in 1978 due to inordinate delay of Government to extend recognition thereto despite its approval and assessment by National Council of Educational Research and Training; and

(c) whether Happy Hours Foundation, Delhi is proposed to be invited to restart the course with assistance from Government in their pioneering efforts?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) No, Sir. There are two recognised teacher training Colleges at degree level and four at Nursery level in English medium in Delhi.

(b) As per records of Delhi Administration, the Institute was not a recognised one. Hence the facts regarding closure of the Institute are not in the knowledge of Delhi Administration.

(c) No, Sir. There is no such proposal