

admit of any discrimination on political grounds.

- (ii) To evolve scientific rate structure for advertisements in consultation with representative bodies of newspapers and advertising agencies.
- (iii) To institutionalise procedures and practices for awarding contracts and jobs.
- (iv) To set up departmental committees in different spheres of D.A.V.P.'s working to eliminate subjective decisions.
- (v) To lay down clear guidelines for the functioning of these committees.

(c) The proposals are still under consideration.

Involvement of technocrats as Administrative functionaries

1356. SHRI VASANT SATHE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to reduce the present number of Secretaries, Additional and Joint Secretaries of Central Ministries on rationalised basis;

(b) if so, the details of the proposal under consideration; and

(c) what is the policy of the Government to increasingly involve technocrats as administrative functionaries at the key levels?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHARAN SINGH): (a) and (b). The approach of the Government is to keep the number of posts at these levels to the minimum required. A review of the requirements at the levels of Secretary/Special Secretary and Additional Secretary is under way.

(c) Senior posts under Government are filled on the basis of selection on merit from various sources keeping in view the requirements of each job and the qualification and experience of persons within the field of choice.

दिल्ली के लिए राज्य का दर्जा

1357. श्री कृष्ण कुमार गोयल: क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि लोग दिल्ली को पूर्ण राज्य का दर्जा दिये जाने की मांग कर रहे हैं; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस पर सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है?

गृह मंत्री (श्री चरण सिंह): (क) दिल्ली को राज्य का दर्जा देने और अथवा विधान सभा की मांग के अभ्यावेदन सरकार को लोगों से प्राप्त हुए हैं। जनता पार्टी की दिल्ली राज्य शाखा ने हाल के लोक सभा के ग्राम चुनावों के समय जारी किये गये अपने पूरक चुनाव घोषणापत्र में दिल्ली के लिए एक विधान सभा का वचन भी शामिल किया था।

(ख) वर्तमान सरकार ने अभी तक इस मामले पर विचार नहीं किया है।

Cancellation of D.T.C. bus routes from Railway Station to various residential colonies in Delhi

1358. SHRI KARPOORI THAKUR: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of DTC bus routes from various residential colonies to Delhi Main Railway Station and New Delhi Railway Station were cancelled during the period of Emergency;