

is against nuclear weapons themselves; (b) Non-proliferation of nuclear weapons should be no the confused with non-dissemination of nuclear technology; (c) India remains committed to its programme for the peaceful uses of nuclear energy; (d) India will always oppose any moves or measures which stand in the way of the peaceful utilization of nuclear energy; and (e) India will be prepared to cooperate wholeheartedly with other countries in discussing ways and means of putting an end to the danger of nuclear weapons.

Removal of Unemployment

680. SHRI MANI RAM BAGRI:

SHRI PADMACHARAN SAMANTSINHERA: Will the

Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have chalked out a plan to remove unemployment in rural areas in ten years;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof; and

(c) the number of unemployed, skilled and unskilled labour and educated unemployed persons in Haryana, Rajasthan, Bihar and U.P.?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND LABOUR (SHRI RAVINDRA VARMA): (a) and (b). Government propose to make all possible efforts to solve the problem of unemployment in the country, including in rural areas in the next ten years. The next five year plan which is currently being formulated is likely to have a high employment content. Concrete policies and programmes are proposed to be formulated as part of the Plan. Additional employment is likely to be created among others, in agriculture and allied fields, in irrigation and cottage industries sectors in the rural areas.

(c) Available information relates to the number of job-seekers registered with the Employment Exchanges as given in the Statement attached.

Statement

Number of job-seekers on the Like Register of the Employment Exchanges in the States of Bihar, Haryana, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh.

State	No. of Job-seekers as on 31-12-1976.			
	Total	Educated (included in total).	Skilled (included in total).	Unskilled (included in total).
1	2	3	4	5
Bihar	9,86,597	5,05,366	1,77,601	2,48,234
Haryana	2,42,470	1,37,970	11,791	73,430
Rajasthan	2,72,017	1,35,186	5,074	82,849
Uttar Pradesh.	11,12,932	6,33,734	60,462	2,72,727

Note :—The figures given in Cols. (3), (4) and (5) are not necessarily mutually exclusive.