

ing of several lakhs of pines sapling with the investment of Rs 200—500 crores;

(b) if so, important details of the project and the decision taken in the matter;

(c) whether Government are aware of the criticism appearing in certain section of the press alleging that it will spell a disaster and that it is not in the interest of the Government, and

(d) if so, what action is being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA) (1)

There is no such proposal to be financed by the World Bank which envisages the planting of several lakhs of pine saplings with an investment of Rs 200—500 crores. However the World Bank appraised and made available IDA credit to the tune of U S \$ 4 million to M P Forestry Technical Assistance Project of Bastar district. One of the components of the project is raising plantations of Tropical Pines on an experimental basis.

(b) The World Bank Project already under execution is mainly a research and development scheme for a period of 5 years starting from April 1 1976. The main components of the scheme are —

(1) *Research trials and pilot plantations of fast growing species especially pines from tropical regions for establishing technique of large scale plantation programme.* The total area to be planted in five years will be 3200 hectares and the aim is to determine whether self-sufficiency in production of long fibre pulping material for the Pulp and Paper industry could be obtained by converting some of the low value forests into man-made forests of long-fibre pulpwood

(ii) *A comprehensive feasibility study to provide a basis for determining the location, size and configuration of forest based industries that could be established in the catchments of Jagdalpur, Barsur and West Bastar.*

(iii) *Pilot logging/training unit to develop suitable systems for handling and supply of large volumes of forest raw material that would be needed by the forest based industries as suggested by the feasibility study.*

(iv) *A study on tribals to work out plans to ensure their integration with the future forest operations and forest industries that would be established in the area.*

(c) The Government is not aware of any specific criticism regarding the raising of tropical pine plantations. As has already been stated the area to be covered under tropical pines in 3200 hectares which is only 0.0014 per cent of the total forest area of Bastar district of Madhya Pradesh where these plantations are being raised. It is not true to say that raising of tropical pines will spell disaster and that it is not in the interest of the Government. In fact tropical pines provide long fibre raw material which is extremely useful for making certain varieties of paper which are in short supply in the country. This species is raised only in such areas where the existing forest is of very low value.

(d) Does not arise.

जनता काफ़ी हाउस, कनाट प्लेस, नई दिल्ली
के लिए स्वागत

7105. श्री राम लेखक हजारी : क्या निर्माण और सजावट तथा पूर्ति और पुनर्वास यज्ञों यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) क्या कनाट प्लेस, नई दिल्ली में जनता काफी हाउस, के निर्माण के लिए स्थान का चुनाव कर लिया गया है और यदि हां, तो इन बाने में ब्योरा क्या है ;

(ख) भ्राम भ्रादमी की जहरतों को देखते हुए इसका शीघ्र निर्माण करने के लिए सरकार द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है ; और

(ग) यह कब तक बनकर तैयार हो जाएगा ?

निर्माण और आवास तथा पूर्ति और पुनर्वास मंत्री (श्री सिकन्दर बख्त) : (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग). प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता ।

**Repairs to Quarters at Rouse Avenue,
New Delhi**

7106. SHRI K. PRADHANI: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the roofs of Daffry type quarters in Rouse Avenue (Din Dayal Upadhyaya Marg), New Delhi are damp and plaster broken at several places;

(b) whether the CPWD Enquiry Office in that area does not respond to the requests of the local residents for adequate roofs plastering and repairs of these quarters;

(c) whether it is a fact that during the rainy season, the roofs of these quarters leaking and no prompt response is received from the CPWD Enquiry for redress; and

(d) if so, what action Government propose to take to remedy the situation?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION (SHRI SIKANDAR BAKHT): (a) Ceiling plaster has fallen at some places and dampness also appears in a few roofs in the rainy season.

(b) within the limitations of funds, the Central P.W.D. Enquiry Office always responds to the requests of the residents for repairs to roof plaster and other repair works.

(c) Complaints of leaking roof are immediately attended to.

(d) These are very old houses and the department is maintaining them in a reasonable state after carrying out necessary repairs. Some roof painting with bitumen is likely to be carried out as special repairs

**Grievances of Employees in Clerical
Cadre in National Archives of India**

7107 SHRI MAHI LAL: Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question 1996 on 29th November, 1971 regarding grievances of employees in clerical cadre in National Archives and state:

(a) action taken so far in regard to creation of additional clerical posts on Administrative side;

(b) whether many new technical posts have been created under the Plan Schemes in National Archives of India, while the Ministerial side has been over looked merely on the grounds that there is a ban on creation of Ministerial posts and the technical staff is put on Administration work:

(c) whether Administration work being dealt with by the Technical staff is not the misuse of their technical capability; and