

Rejection of draft of Sixth Plan by States

1254. SHRI AMAR ROYPRADHAN: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the States have not accepted the draft of Sixth Plan suggested by the Planning Commission; and

(b) if so, the names of those States who have not accepted the Sixth Plan and reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI FAZLUR RAHMAN): (a) and (b). This is not a fact. The objectives, priorities and sectoral allocations for the draft National Plan for 1978-83 were accepted by the National Development Council in March, 1978. The States were then asked to prepare their own five year plans consistently with the draft National Plan. The States' draft plans are still being discussed between them and the Planning Commission. They will be finalised in the light of the recent N.D.C. decision on allocation of resources between the Centre and the States and between States. The N.D.C. has also confirmed the aggregate size of the public sector plan and its division between the Central Plans and Plans of States and Union Territories.

Take over of Distribution of Printing and Writing Paper

1255. SHRI NIHAR LASKAR: SHRI A. R. BADRINARAYAN:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government have taken any decision to take over the paper distribution of white printing and writing paper;

(b) if not, when the final decision is likely to be taken; and

(c) what were the measures taken by Government during December, 1978 and January, 1979 onwards to improve the paper industry and to check the increase in prices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV): (a) and (b). At present there is an informal control on the distribution of White Printing Paper which is being supplied to the educational sector, through a Coordination Committee at the Central level and State Level Committees which determine allocations for manufacture of exercise books and publications of text books. So far as other varieties of writing and printing paper are concerned, Government have not yet taken a decision to take over the distribution. As there are a large number of varieties of paper, and a wide range of consumers, the distribution system is extremely complex, and a consumer oriented network would have to be built up before take over, of the distribution of all varieties of writing and printing paper.

(c) In order to ensure that marginal imbalance between demand and supply of paper does not result in speculative increase in prices of paper, Government is already importing certain quantities of Paper. Additional quantities of paper will be imported as and when necessary.

राजस्थान में नये जनजाति क्लार्कों की स्थापना

1256. श्री मीठालाल पटेल : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि राज्य सरकार द्वारा प्रस्तुत राजस्थान में 37 नये जनजाति क्लार्कों की स्थापना के प्रस्ताव केन्द्र की अनुमति के लिए बीबीएनडि से सम्बन्धित है ;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि केन्द्रीय सरकार ने उपर्युक्त प्रस्तावों पर अभी तक अपनी अनुमति नहीं दी है और यदि हाँ, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं और उन पर अनुमति कब तक दी जायेगी और यदि नहीं तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ; और