

There is, no proposal to lower the percentage of marks required to pass the examination

Essay Competition by P. and T. Board

9142 SHRI CHATURBHUJ Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state

(a) whether Post and Telegraph Board had organised last year an essay competition on the subject of 'Postman—My Best Friend' for the children between 12 and 15 years of age;

(b) the number of entries received for the competition in each language,

(b) Assamese	25	Orisa	39
Bengali	35	Punjab	07
English	351	Sanskrit	01
Gujarati	23	Sindhi	00
Hindi	320	Tamil	76
Kannada	18	Telugu	33
Malayalam	100	Urdu	18
Marathi	98		
		TOTAL	1,084

(c) One the entry adjudged as the best of Shri Parthapratin Saikia, Student of Class III, Government boys' Higher Secondary School, Sib-sagar, Assam-785640

(d) The essays were not individually acknowledged.

(e) Information about the names of Judges was not publicised in newspapers. However, the successful candidates were duly informed individually

(c) the number of entries sent to the Switzerland Postal Union indicating the names of these children,

(d) whether the receipt of the essays has not been acknowledged, and

(e) whether the names of the judges, the names of successful candidates and the result of the competition were not published in the newspaper and if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS
(SHRI NARHARI PRASAD SUKHDEV SAI) (a) Yes

घार जिले में सरम्मत कार्य

9143 श्री हुकम चण्ड काष्ठाय क्याशिसा, सनाथ कल्याण और सस्कृति मंत्री मुक्तकालीन मन्दिरों के रख-रखाव के बारे में 27 नवम्बर, 1978 के प्रत्यारहित प्रश्न संख्या 1110 के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) क्या भारतीय पुरातत्व सर्वेक्षण विभाग के उच्च अधिकारियों ने घार जिले में 1975 से 1978 तक की अवधि के दौरान किये गये सरम्मत कार्य ₹1 म्बल पर जा कर निरीक्षण किया है और यदि हा, तो नियमों के अनुसार कितने प्रतिगत कार्यों का निरीक्षण किया गया और क्या उन पर हुए व्यय को ध्यान में रखते हुए, यह कार्य ठीक पाया गया, और

(ख) यदि नहीं, तो क्या सरकार का विचार इन कार्यों का उचित निरीक्षण करने का है ?

विद्या, समाज कल्याण और सस्कृति मंत्री (डा० प्रताप चन्द्र खन्ना) (क) और (ख) भी हा। उच्च अधिकारियों ने धार जिले के स्मारका का समूह-समय पर निरीक्षण किया है। निदेशक (संरक्षण) ने धार जिले में माण्डू और बाघ के स्मारका का निरीक्षण किया। उन के निरीक्षण के दौरान कुछ दायपूर्ण निर्माण कार्य पाये गये जिन का परिष्कार कर दिया गया है। महायुक्त निरीक्षण पुरातत्व अभियंता ने 1977-78 के दौरान माण्डू में किये गये निर्माण कार्यों की जांच की और उन्हें सतापजनक पाया।

Central Assistance for Irrigation Projects to be constructed in Madhya Pradesh during 1979-80

9144 SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) details of the irrigation projects to be constructed in the Madhya Pradesh by the Central assistance during the year 1979-80,

(b) whether all the schemes for which proposals were submitted by the State Government have been accepted;

(c) if so, its location and total cost of the projects and share of the Central Government; and

(d) if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI SURJEET SINGH BARNALA): (a) to (d) Irrigation is a State subject and Irrigation projects are financed by the State Governments themselves. Central assistance is provided in the form of block loans/grants for the State as a whole and is not related to any particular sector of development or scheme

For special medium irrigation projects allocations are made by the Central Government under the drought-prone area programme The State Government of Madhya Pra-

desh have not so far furnished the details of irrigation projects to be taken up during 1979-80 under this programme

Closure of Water Supply to Delhi Colonies in Okhla

9146 SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have asked the Municipal Corporation of Delhi to close down water works at Okhla supplying water to South Delhi colonies;

(b) if so, reasons therefor;

(c) whether as a result of closure of the water works the supply position of water in the colonies will be adversely affected; and

(d) if so, alternative arrangements being made to supply adequate water to the colonies being fed by the Okhla Water Works?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION (SHRI SIKANDAR BAKHT): (a) to (d) The raw water led into the Okhla Water Works has been found polluted to an unusually high extent though it is made potable before it is actually supplied to the areas served by Okhla Water Works. This had been engaging the attention of the Government and in March this year the Government have directed MCD to take steps for closing down the Okhla Water Works and for arranging supply of drinking water to the area as served by the same through other sources. A Committee has also been set up in the Ministry of Works and Housing for working out the modalities and time-frame for closing down the Okhla Water Works.

Thus the Okhla Water Works will be closed down only after making alternative arrangements for the