

(क) क्या पाकिस्तान के सिंध प्रांत से भारत आने वाले और भारत से सिंध प्रांत जाने वाले पर्यटकों की बड़ी संख्या और उनको हो रही वित्तीय कठिनाइयों को ध्यान में रखते हुए सरकार का विचार खोकराबड़ सीमा सड़क (जिला बाड़मेर) राजस्थान को खोल कर उन्हें सुविधाएं देने का है ;

(ख) यदि नहीं, तो इस बारे में कठिनाइयां क्या है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो यह सड़क कब तक खोल दिये जाने की संभावना है ?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री योगेन्द्र मकवाना) : (क) से (ग) : इन्डोपाकिस्तान वीसा समझौता 1974 के अधीन खोकराबड़ मुनाबों भूमि सीमा, दोनों देशों के बीच यात्रा करने का एक निर्धारित रास्ता है। तथापि, इस रास्ते को खोलने के लिये पाकिस्तान सरकार की सहमति और सहयोग आवश्यक होगा।

Inclusion of posts in Central Secretariat Service Grade I

1693. SHRI SURAJ BHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of posts included in the Central Secretariat Service (Grade I) as on 1st January, 1980;

(b) how many were held by IAS and other Class I services and how many were held by Central Secretariat Service Officers as on 1st January, 1980;

(c) the number of persons out of the Central Secretariat Service (Grade I) officers, who had reached the maximum of the scale of pay for Under Secretaries on the 1st January, 1980; and

(d) how many out of the persons referred to above are eligible for promotion and how many are not yet eligible to be considered for promotion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. VENKATASUBBAIAH): (a) Posts of Under Secretaries and equivalent are not included in the cadre of any Service but are filled from amongst eligible officers of All India Services, Central Services Class I, State Civil Services and empanelled officers of Grade I of the Central Secretariat Service. Therefore, no posts of Under Secretaries and equivalent can be stated to be included in the Central Secretariat Service as on 1-1-1980.

(b) As on 1-1-1980, 230 posts were held by Officers belonging to I.A.S. and other Class I Services and 481 posts by Grade I officers of the Central Secretariat Service, as per the information available in this Department.

(c) and (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as it is received.

Production of power in Madras Atomic Power Project

1694. SHRI ERA ANBARASU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for delay in production of power in Madras Atomic Power Project in Tamil Nadu;

(b) whether Government will take appropriate steps to speed up the process of production of power; and

(c) the time by which actual power production will commence?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) The major causes for the delay are problems faced in the fabrication of major items of equipment, delays at manufacturers'

work due to labour unrest and power cuts, and also the difficulties arising out of embargo placed by some countries on the export of certain equipment and materials.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. Unit-I is expected to be completed by the end of 1980 and Unit II by early 1983. Commissioning will be taken up thereafter.

Decision to remove disparities in promotion avenues of Army and Civilian officers

1695. SHRI UTTAM RAO PATIL: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any decision in regard to removing disparities in the promotion avenues and change of ranks of Army officers and Civilian officers, which were under consideration of Government;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI C.P.N. SINGH): (a) to (c) The promotional avenues of the various ranks of armed forces personnel are based upon the organisational structure, the functional requirements and the terms and conditions peculiar to the Defence Services which in many cases are not comparable to those of civilian cadres. Government however have recently reviewed the career prospects in the armed forces and carried out a cadre review of officers up to the rank of Brigadier and equivalent in the other two Services to improve their promotional opportunities. Details are as follows:—

(i) Nearly 60 per cent prospects of career improvement have been provided for those in the rank of Majors and equivalent in the other two

Services, 20 per cent of which will be through the introduction of a selection grade.

(ii) About 50 per cent prospects for career improvement have been provided for those in the rank of Lt. Colonel and equivalents in the other two Services. This again will include 10 per cent through selection grade.

(iii) 125 posts of Lt. Colonels/Colonels in the Army have been upgraded to that of Brigadier. 10 posts of Group Captains in the Air Force have been upgraded to that of Air Commodore. On the Navy side, the Government have agreed, in principle, to upgrade 52 posts from Commanders to that of Captain.

सैनिक अभ्यास के कारण जिन लोगों को
वैयक्तिक हानि होती है उन्हें मुआवजा
देना

1696. श्री बिरछी चन्द्र जैन :
क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे
कि :

(क) क्या भारतीय सेना, राजस्थान में भारत पाक सीमा से लगे कई स्थानों पर हर वर्ष अभ्यास करती है और प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रमों का आयोजन करती है ;

(ख) क्या इन अभ्यासों और प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रमों के दौरान स्थानीय लोगों को हुई वैयक्तिक क्षति की रक्षा विभाग द्वारा मुआवजा दिया जाता है ; यदि हां, तो उसका मानदण्ड क्या है और मुआवजा मंजूर करने वाला सक्षम प्राधिकारी कौन है ;

(ग) क्या इसमें राज्य के पदाधिकारियों का भी सहयोग लिया जाता है, यदि हां, तो कौन सा पदाधिकारी और यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ;