

Raising of age limit for Government service

4482. SHRI JAINUL ABEDIN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to raise the age limit for service under Central Government from 25 years to 30 years to enable unemployed youths to have jobs who have already completed 25 years of age though they have got their names registered with Employment Exchanges;

(b) if so, the steps taken to this effect; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. VENKATASUBBAIAH): (a) to (c). The question of revising the age limits for entry to Central Government service including posts filled through Employment Exchanges is under consideration.

Production of Atomic Energy in Sixth Plan

4483. SHRI P. K. KODIYAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of atomic energy planned to be produced under the Sixth Five Year Plan; and

(b) the estimated cost thereof?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI-MATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) The total nuclear power generation capacity expected to be achieved by the end of the Sixth Five Year Plan (1980—85) is 1565 MWe.

(b) The total estimated capital cost is Rs. 800.90 crores.

Registration of Scientists in Scientists pool

4484. SHRI P. K. KODIYAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of scientists registered in the scientists pool so far;

(b) how many of these have been provided with job;

(c) whether there are any foreign returned scientists also registered in the pool;

(d) if so, their number, qualifications and experience; and

(e) how many of them have been given any assignment so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI C. P. N. SINGH): (a) to (d). The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) maintains an Indians Abroad Section of the National Register of Scientific and Technical Personnel of India for voluntary enrolment of Indian Scientists, Technologists, Engineers, Doctors and Social Scientists abroad. Those enrolled in the Indians Abroad Section desiring assistance on return to India and those in India who apply in response to advertisements, are considered for selection to the Scientists' Pool. There is no registration as such in the Scientists Pool.

The total number of persons selected to the Scientists' Pool upto 1-6-1980 was 13,774. Of these 12,335 were actually sent offers of placement in the Pool.

The number of foreign qualified scientific and technical personnel selected to the pool upto 1-6-1980 is 11,958. Since the number involved is quite large, it is not possible to furnish the qualifications and experi-