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grant of funds for the various societies for construction of office building and working centres, the Government of India does not have any scheme of giving such assistance.

Promotion to the Posts of Engineers in N.I.D.C.

1087. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA:

SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VERMA:

SHRI SATISH PRASAD SINGH:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) qualifications and experience etc. for departmental promotion from Assistant Engineer to Engineer in National Industrial Development Corporation;
- (b) whether minimum qualifications for a Junior Engineer required was Degree in Engineering and Diploma Holders (Engineering) could only be considered for Junior Engineer's post after they had acquired degree in Engineering;
- (c) whether an Assistant Engineer with Degree in Engineering and 4 years experience is eligible for promotion to the post of Engineer;
- (d) whether an Assistant Engineer having Diploma in Draftsmanship can be equated with an Assistant Engineer having Diploma in Engineering for promotion to an Engineer, and if so, the basis thereof; and
- (e) if not, whether one Assistant Engineer holding Diploma in Draftsmanship without having any other qualifications has been promoted as Engineer and if so, concrete reasons for a deviation from the prescribed qualifications and order dated the 24th April, 1979?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI CHARANJIT CHANANA): (a) to (e). The qualifications and ex-

perience etc. for departmental promotion from Assistant Engineer to Engineer in the National Industrial Development Corporation is by Selection on merit from amongst the category of Assistant Engineers with a minimum of 4 years service as Assistant Engineer in the case of those who possess a qualification equivalent to a Degree in Engineering and 8 years service in the case of those who possess a qualification equivalent to Diploma. cases of all the Assistant Engineers fulfilling the conditions of eligibility as laid down in the Rules for promotion to the post of Engineer are considered by a duly constituted Departmental Promotion Committee and as recommended by them and approved by the Chairman-cum-Managing Director of the Corporation a selection list of Assistant Engineers for promotion to the post of Engineer is finalised. One Assistant Engineer who possessed a Diploma in Craftsmanship (Draftsmanship—Civil) and has completed more than 8 years service as Assistant Engineer has also been included in the select list for promotion as an Engineer as he qualifies for consideration for promotion as Assistant Engineer He has, however, not yet been promoted to the post of Engineer.

BARC device to check Radio Activity

1088. PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Bombay has developed a device to monitor the extent of radio activity and its absorption by workers engaged in production of radio active materials for use in fields like medicine, industry, agriculture etc.; and
- (b) if so, the salient features of the device and its utility?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI-MATI INDIRA GANDHI); (a) Yes, Sir. The thermoluminiscent dosimeters have been developed for this purpose.