

(SHRI KARTIK ORAON): (a) No, Sir, there is no disparity to the disadvantage of the rural subscribers. Different rentals have however been prescribed for exchanges of different sizes. Lower sizes of exchanges which are necessarily installed in rural exchanges have lower rental per annum.

(b) No, Sir, there is no such proposal.

(c) Security deposit and advance deposit have already been reduced to Rupees hundred each for rural subscribers.

### Egg Board

5594. SHRI T. DAMODAR REDDY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up Egg Board or Egg Corporation to regulate the sale of eggs and poultry produce; and

(b) if so, when and the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

### Selection of SC/ST Students for Central Schools

5595. SHRI MANMOHAN TUDU: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Technical Education Bureau had a programme to work out a scheme to spot promising Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe boys and girls to be educated at Central Schools with scholarships;

(b) if so, what is the criteria for their selection;

(c) whether these boys and girls would be selected on the basis of their performance in class X and they would be educated for plus two stage on Government expense; and

(d) the details in the regard?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) to (d) This Ministry is preparing a Scheme for helping SC/ST candidates to avail themselves of the reserved seats for admission to the various undergraduate courses in the Indian Institutes of Technology.

### People's Action for Development (India)

5596. SHRI A. NEELALOHITHADASAN NADAR: Will the Minister of RURAL RECONSTRUCTION be pleased state:

(a) when the People's Action for Development (India) under the Ministry of Rural Reconstruction had been formed;

(b) if so, the details of programmes taken up by it at present; and

(c) details of amount given to different Stages as financial aid by it so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (SHRI BALESHWAR RAM): (a) People's Action for Development (India) formerly known as Freedom from Hunger Campaign was formed in 1960. The responsibility of PADI was transferred in May, 1980 from the Ministry of Agriculture to the Ministry of Rural Reconstruction.

(b) PADI seeks to supplement government's efforts in rural development by promoting voluntary action for rural development. Towards this end, it receives assistance from national and international donors, and provides in turn assistance to voluntary organisations engaged in rural development. Project aiming at the uplift-