

by the cooperatives, in areas requiring such shops.

Seminar held by FCI to Educate SC/ST Personnel

7760. SHRI R.N. RAKESH : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Food Corporation of India conducts seminars on SC/ST reservations and other benefits for them to educate the officers working in Personnel Department at various levels;

(b) if so, how many courses have been conducted during 1981 and 1982;

(c) whether there were any recommendations, made in these seminars;

(d) if so, the details of these recommendations seminar-wise; and

(e) the action taken by the F.C.I. management thereon so far ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD) :
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) One seminar was conducted in 1982. No seminar could be held in 1981.

(c) No specific recommendations were made.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Service Cadres in FCI

7761. SHRI HIRALAL R. PARMAR : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) how many service cadres are there in the Food Corporation of India, where the post of carrying pay scale of Rs. 450-850 are filled by direct recruitment ;

(b) cadre-wise number of posts as well as vacant posts as mentioned in part (a) above; and

(c) the steps taken or being taken by the management of the F.C.I. to fill up these vacant posts ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD):
(a) There are five cadres in the Food Corporation of India which have posts in the pay scale of Rs. 450-850 with provision for direct recruitment.

(b) and (c) According to FCI (Staff) Regulations the recruitment unit for such posts is located in the various Zonal/Regional/Port Offices etc. of the Corporation. The information in regard to cadre-wise number of posts, number of vacancies and steps taken to fill up the vacancies, if any, is not readily available in the Head Office of the Corporation.

Plantation of Seedling

7762. SHRI A. C. DAS : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of seedlings planted in the country in 1982-83 under the afforestation drive launched by his Ministry;

(b) the States where seedlings have been planted; and

(c) the details of the programme of the plantation of seedlings in 1983-84 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) to (c) Statewise details are given in the Annexure.