

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार नियोजन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री डी० पी० चट्टोपाध्याय) :
(क) से (घ). सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और जैसे ही प्राप्त होगी समा पटल पर रख दी जायेगी ।

Crash Programme for Development of Potential Growth Towns

2014. SHRI M. M. JOSEPH: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether an expert in Town and Country Planning had proposed a crash programme of developing 300 potential growth towns in the country in an effort to eradicate the problems of poverty, unemployment and housing shortage; and

(b) if so, the salient features thereof and the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) Yes. A memorandum containing such a proposal is said to have been submitted to the Expert Committee on Unemployment set up by the Ministry of Labour and Rehabilitation, by an official of the Delhi Development Authority.

(b) The proposals in the memorandum are:—

- (1) A programme should be launched to develop 300 potential growth towns in rich but undeveloped areas in the country-side.
- (2) A rural development corporation, with an initial capital of Rs. 50 crores, should be set up to help in setting up small scale industries.

The suggestions in all such memoranda will first have to be considered by the Expert Committee on Unemployment to whom they are addressed; it is only thereafter that the question of Government's reaction to them would arise.

1971 as Nutrition Year

2015. SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have urged the United Nations to declare 1971 as Nutrition Year;

(b) the broad features of this declaration; and

(c) the names of other countries who have agreed to this proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI D. P. CHATTOPADHYAYA): (a) No.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Scarcity of Drinking Water in Royalseema Andhra Pradesh

2016. SHRI P. VENKATASUBBAIAH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Royalseema area of Andhra Pradesh has been indentified as the scarcity area;

(b) whether the Central Government sanctioned either grants or loans outside the Plan to take up schemes in this area;

(c) whether there is still acute scarcity of drinking water supply in Royalseema area; and

(d) whether any special allocation of funds has been made to provide necessary equipment, such as rigs etc. to provide drinking water supply in this area?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI D. P. CHATTOPADHYAYA): (a) to (d). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha as soon as received.

Expenditure Incurred in Briging Dr. Dharma Teja to India

2017. SHRI RAMCHANDRAN KADANNAPPALLI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state the total expenditure incurred by Government in bringing Dr. Dharma Teja to India?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): An amount of Rs. 6,70,000 has so far been incurred on the extradition of Dr. Dharma Teja to