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Applications for C.O.B. licences require very close scrutiny of the facts mentioned by the applicants to establish that effective steps within the meaning of the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act and Rules framed thereunder have, in fact, been taken during the period of delicensing of the concerned industries or during the period the undertakings in question remained exempt from the provisions of the I (D&R) Act to set up the capacities claimed by the applicants. This requires, sometimes. eliciting further information from the applicants, physical inspection by tee une l'administrative authorities physical verification of original docume s etc. After Government have satisfied themselves that effective steps have, in fact been taken as required, the hcences have been issued without much loss of time. Government are anxious to clear the pending applications as expeditiously as possible and are taking steps to review these periodically with a view to bring up to early disposal.

Report of Committee set up to Investigate power Crisis in West Bengal

3369. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the time by which the Committee set up by Government to investigate into the power crisis in West Bengal is expected to submit its report;

(b) whether power supply position in this State, has further deteriorated since the appointment of the Committee; and

(c) if so, the measures, if any being taken in this regard and the time by which the situation is likely to be improved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA): (a) to (c). A Preliminary Report of the Action Group to Review the Power Supply Position in West Bengal has already been received. The Preliminary report is under examination in the Planning Commission.

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3370. श्वी झोंकार लाल बेरवा : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की इत्या वरेंगे कि नवीनतम अनगणना धांकडों की प्रनुपार इम समय देश में 19 वर्ष से नीचे की घाय वाले लोगों की सख्या कितनी है और यह कून जनसंख्या का कितना प्रतिगत है ?

गृह मंत्रासभ में उपमंत्री (भी एक ० एव ० मोहसिन): 1971 के जनगणना ग्रांकड़ों की एक प्रतिशत नमूना ग्रग्निम सारणी के ग्राधार पर 1-4-71 को 19 वर्ध से कम ग्रायु के व्यक्तियों की ग्रनुमानित मख्या 2710 लाख है। यह कुल जनसख्या का लगभग 49.5 प्रतिशत बनता है।

पांचवीं पंचवर्थीय योजना के दौरान ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में उद्योग

3371. श्री स्ननः दि चरण दासः क्या सौद्योगिक विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि पांचवी पंचवर्षीं य योजना मे ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों मे कुषि उद्योग सहित उद्योग स्थापित करने ग्रीर प्राकृतिक संसाधनो पर माधारित ग्रीद्योगों को ग्रारंभ करने के लिए क्या विशेष कदम उठाये गये है ?

झौछोगिक विकास मंतालय में उपमंत्री (भी सिद्धेश्वर प्रसाद) : यद्यपि पाचवी पंच-वर्षीय योजना के तैयार होने तक राज्यों में कृषि सम्बन्धी उद्योगो की स्थापना के लिए इग्मी कोई विशेष कदम नहीं उठाये गये हैं फिर भी पिछड़े क्षेत्रों के लिए विभिन्न प्रोरत्सहान योजनामों, यामीण उद्योग परियोजना कार्यक्रम झौर रोजगार दिलाने वार्ल विशेष मोजनामों के डारा मासा की 'जाती है कि बामीण कीकों में इस प्रकार के उद्योगों की स्वापना हो संकेगी। योजना भाषोग ने प्राक्तरिक संसाधनों का राष्ट्रीय सर्वेक्षण करने के लिये हाल ही मे एक निर्णयक दल की स्वापता की है।

C.P.W.D. Engineering Staff Drafted by P. & T. Department

3372 SHRI R. P. ULAGANAMBI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICA-TIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Engineering staff working in the Civil Engineering Wing of the P&T Department are being sent back to the C.P.W.D. from where they were drawn and if so, their number and the reasons therefor,

(b) the time since when they were on deputation and the reasons for their non-absorption in the Post and Telegraphs Department;

(c) whether the staff concerned were given any deputation or other allowance while in Post and Telegraph Department and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether his Ministry has received any representations in the matter from the affected persons and if so, the nature thereof and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICA-TIONS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA): (a) Yes. In all 30 gazetted officers are to be repatriated. The P&T Department is developing its own cadres of Civil/Elect. Engineers and Architects.

(b) These officers came to the P.&.T. Department during the period from 1963 to 1970. With the transfer of P&T Civil works from C.P.W.D. to P&T Department in July, 1963, a number of C.P.W.D. officers were deputed to P&T Civil Wing but they continued to maintain their lien in parent Department. They are now being repairiated to their parent Department in a phased programme as and when P&T officers become available to replace them.

(c) No. The question of granting them deputation (duty) allowance w.e., from 27th January, 1970 is, however, under consideration. This allowance is not being paid as it was not provided in the deputation terms and conditions of these officers.

(d) Yes. They have represented for their permanent absorption in the P.&.T. Civil Wing. The representations have been considered and rejected.

De-Reservation of Posts of LDCs, UDCs, and Stenographers in Government of India Offices in Delhi/New Delhi

3373. SHRI ONKAR LAL BERWA Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the names of offices of Government of India at Delhi/New Delhi showing number of posts of Lower Division Clerks, Upper Division Clerks and Stenographers who requested the Department of Personnel for dereservation (for conversion of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes vacancies into General Category) of the above posts during the period from the 1st June, 1972 to 31st October, 1972;

(b) the dates of references of each cflice, separately; and

(c) the dates on which the above posts were actually dereserved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSON-NEL (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) to (c). A statement giving the available information is laid on the Table of the House, [Placed in Library See No. LT-3932/72.] A few other references for dereservation of reserv-Ministeries/Departments concerned as ed vacancies were returned to the full data required for examining the proposal for dereservation was not furnished or the proposal was not in order. . :