

**MOHAN DHARIA):** The Approach Paper on the Fifth Five Year Plan is still under the consideration of the Government and will be finalised soon.

#### **Underground Postal System**

5204. **SHRI N. K. P. SALVE:** Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an 'underground' Postal system is being run in the country by some private firms; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken in this regard?

**THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA):**  
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In two cases representatives of a firm were convicted at Bombay. Police investigations in other cases of alleged running of such services are in progress.

#### **Reservation of Posts of Sectional Officers for Departmental Candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Indian Standards Institution**

5205. **SHRI RAM BHAGAT PASWAN.**

**SHRI SHIV SHANKER PRASAD YADAV:**

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Standard Institution is filling shortly certain posts of Sectional Officers by Departmental competitive Examination;

(b) whether no provision for reservation for the Scheduled Caste or Scheduled Tribe Departmental candidates has been made for the aforesaid examination; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Reservation for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes candidates has been made by the I. S. I.

(c) Does not arise.

#### **Foreign Collaboration in Small Scale Industries**

5206. **SHRI RAJA KULKARNI:** Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) how many proposals for foreign collaboration in small scale industries have been approved and implemented by Government during the last three years;

(b) how many were rejected; and

(c) whether a statement showing the names of the foreign collaborators, approved and rejected, industry-wise, during the last three years will be laid on the Table of the House?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD):** (a) and (b). Out of the proposals received during the period 1-9-1971 to 30-9-1972, involving foreign collaboration in the small scale sector, 13 cases were approved and 10 rejected. Information prior to this period is not available as the same was not specifically maintained. The proposals are at different stages of implementation, the responsibility being primarily that of the Indian entrepreneur.

(c) Two statements are laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-4100/72].