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much as import of technology and know-how is allowed only for the items of manufacture for which indigenous capability has not adequately developed within the country. Consistent with this policy including the maximum use of indigenous resources such as raw material, machinery and equipment and technology, as also the need for conservation of scarce foreign exchange together with need to encourage growth of exports, foreign investment and collaboration are allowed primarily in high priority and specialised technology sectors so as to develop indigenous capacity in the vital economic sectors to the required extent. Recently a Committee consisting of top scientists and technologists was appointed to review this policy and make recommendations to Government. The Committee has just submitted its report which is under study.

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

## Enquiry into the Missing of a Soviet Tourist from a Hotel in Delhi

8740. SHRI M. S. SIVASWAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any enquiry was held regarding the missing of a Soviet Tourist from a hotel in the capital on the 30th March, 1973; and

(b) if so, the result thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI F. H. MOHSIN); (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) On enquiry, it was found that the Soviet National had left Delhi by Pan American Flight No. 001 at 5.51 AM on 31st March, 1973.

# Amount for Construction of Hostles for Girls Belonging to Scheduled Castes/Tribes

3741. SHRI BHAGIRATH BHAN-WAR: Will the Miniser of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state the amount of money proposed to be given to the State Governments, separately during 1973-74 for constructing hostelss or for the extension of existing capacity of the hostels for girl students belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI F. H. MOHSIN): The amount tentatively earmarked for the scheme of hostels for girl students belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for 1973-74 is Rs. 41.53 lakes (*i.e.*, Rs. 17.85 lakhs for Schedule, Castes and Rs. 23.68 lakhs for Scheduled Tribes).

### Assistance to States for Tribal Development Blocks

8742. SHRI BHAGIRATH BHAN-WAR: Will the Minister of HOME. AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of assistance given to the States, State-wise, for the Tribal Development Block Programme Schemes;

(b) whether any evaluation has been made of the work done in this context during the Fourth Five Year Plan period; and if so, main points thereof, and

(c) what special measures are proposed to be taken for the economic development of the Tribals during the Fifth Five Year Plan period?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI F. H. MOHSIN): (a) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT 4933/ 73]

(b) At the State level there is a system of evaluation of Tribal Development Blocks and other programmes, in particular by the Tribal Research Institutes.

The organisation of the Director General (Backward Classes Welfare) has conducted some surveys/studies of cartain Tribal Development Blocks in different States and the main findings are:

- (i) Earmarked funds including C. D. provision have not been fully utilised.
- (ii) In certain areas cooperative movement is weak and needs to be strengthened.
- (iii) Irrigation facilities need to be increased.

The Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes also makes a general review of the Tribal Development in the country as a whole. His Annual Report is land on the Table of the House. The last report for the year 1969-70 has already been laid on the Table of the House.

The Parliamentary Committee on the welfare of Scheduled Casteş and Scheduled Tribes has also taken up examination of the T. D. Block programme in different States. So far, the Committee has submitted a report on Guiarat (11th Report of the Fifth Lok Sabha) The Committee has also completed examination of T.D. Blocks in Madhya Pradesh and their report is awaited.

(c) In the Fifth Five Year Plan a new strategy for Tribal Development  $I_5$  envisaged under which integrated area development programmes for the tribal regions having more than 50 per cent tribal concentration are proposed to be prepared. Special attention is also proposed to be given to isolated tribal communities, tribals affected by industrial and other projects and shifting cultivators. The results of the evaluatory studies have been taken into account in framing the programme.

### Assistance to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Artisans for development of Cottage Industries

6743. SHRI K. MALLANNA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVE-

#### LOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of assistance given to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribe artisans in various States for the development of cottage industries;

(b) the number of beneficiaries in each State;

(c) the measures taken to offer employment or from cooperatives for those who have completed training;

(d) whether any evaluation has been made of the scheme; and if so, its outcome; and

(e) the steps proposed to streamline and intensify the schemes?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DE-VELOPMENT (SHRI ZIAUR RAH-MAN ANSARI): (a) to (e). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

#### Grade III Officers of Indian Statistical Service in the National Sample Survey Organisation

8744. SHRI S. C. SAMANTA: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Grade III officers of the Indian Statistical Service in the National Sample Survey Organisation (Field Operations Division) who have been working there continuously since the inception of the Service, and

(b) the reasons for their continued stay in that Organisation and not rotating them in other Offices/Organisations/ Branches of the Department of Statistics?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA): (a) There is no officers belonging to Grade III of the Indian Statistical Service who has been working in that capacity in the Field Operations Divisions, National