

Patel Nagar to 8/19 Western Extension Area.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) The shift was carried out in routine. Nothing came to the notice of the Department at the time to show that the shift was not *bonafide*.

Central Mechanised Farm Suratgarh

10173. SHRI A. S. KASTURE : Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the post of Operational Manager in the Central Mechanised Farm, Suratgarh was reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes candidate;

(b) whether before the issue of advertisement for the post, the department nominated a non-Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes candidate for that reserved post;

(c) whether qualified Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes candidates were interviewed for this reserved post but the department recommended the nominated candidate;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps Government propose to take to avoid such malpractices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE) : (a) There are actually two posts of Operational Manager at the Central State Farm, Suratgarh namely, Operational Manager (Mechanical) and Operational Manager (Agriculture). The post of Operational Manager (Mechanical) is un-reserved while the post of Operational Manager (Agriculture) is reserved for Scheduled Castes/Tribes. In the event of a Scheduled Caste or Scheduled Tribe candidate not being available, the post was to be treated as unreserved.

(b) The U. P. S. C. was asked to advertise the post. Pending the recruitment of a candidate through the U. P. S. C., an *ad hoc* appointment of the senior-most departmental candidate was made in the interest of work. It so happened that he

did not belong to a Scheduled Caste or a Scheduled Tribe.

(c) and (d). The selection for the post was ultimately done by the U. P. S. C. and not by the Ministry of Food and Agriculture. The Commission interviewed 8 candidates including one Scheduled Caste candidate. The Scheduled Caste candidate was not found suitable for appointment by the U. P. S. C.

(e) Does not arise.

राजस्थान में पंचायत मुख्यालयों में डाकघर

10174. श्री मोठालाल मीना : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) प्रत्येक पंचायत कार्यालय में एक डाकघर खोलने की योजना के अन्तर्गत जून, 1968 के अन्त तक राजस्थान में पंचायत मुख्यालयों में कितने डाकघर खोले जाने की सम्भावना है; और

(ख) इसके बाद कितने डाकघर खोले जाने की सम्भावना है ?

संसद्-कार्य विभाग तथा संचार विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री इ० कु० गुजराल) : (क) और (ख) : इस मामले पर विचार किया जा रहा है। इस समय यह ठीक-ठीक बता सकना संभव नहीं है कि जून, 1968 या उसके बाद पंचायत मुख्यालयों में कितने डाकघर खोले जा सकेंगे।

टेलीफोन केन्द्र, गंगापुर नगर

10175. श्री मोठा लाल मीना : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि गंगापुर नगर, भरतपुर डीवीजन, राजस्थान के टेलीफोन केन्द्र में बहुत सी ट्रंक काल बुक की जाती हैं ;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि गंगापुर-झागरा तथा गंगापुर-जयपुर के बीच एक ही सीधी लाइन इतने अधिक ट्रंक कालों के लिये अपर्याप्त है ;

(ग) क्या उपरोक्त स्थिति को दृष्टि में रखते हुए गंगापुर-झागरा तथा गंगापुर-जयपुर