

German News Weekly dated the 30th July, 1966 under the caption "10 year of Suicide Prevention";

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal to try the same method in India where the incidence of suicides is on the increase; and

(c) is so, the details thereof?

**The Minister of Health and Family Planning (Dr. Sushila Nayar) :**

(a) Yes.

(b) and (c). The matter is likely to be considered by the Mental Health advisory committee in the near future.

#### **Identification of Backward Areas**

2713. **Shri Umanath :**

**Shri P. Kunhan :**

Will the Minister of **Planning and Social Welfare** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have examined the particulars sent by the various State Governments in reply to their communication dated the 5th January, 1965 regarding data for identification of backward areas in each State;

(b) if so, whether any areas in any State have been identified as backward areas and their location; and

(c) the further action proposed to be taken in those areas?

**The Minister of Planning and Social Welfare (Shri Asoka Mehta) :**

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Attention is invited to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1483 on May 5, 1966. As stated on that occasion, proposals of State Governments for accelerated development of markedly backward areas within State boundaries will form part of the States' Fourth Five Plans and will be duly considered.

#### **Loans to Co-operative Sugar Factories**

2714. **Shri Jashvant Mehta :**

**Shri Rajeshwar Patel :**

**Shri Sidheshwar Prasad :**

**Shri Yogendra Jha :**

**Shri K. K. Singh :**

**Shri Yamuna Prasad Mandal :**

**Shri H.C. Soy :**

Will the Minister of **Finance** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Industrial Finance Corporation has refused to advance loans to the co-operative sugar factories;

(b) if so, the reasons for their refusal; and

(c) the steps Government propose to take to assist the sugar Co-operatives for completing their half-constructed establishments?

**The Minister of Finance (Shri Sachindra Chaudhuri) :** (a) and (b).

The Industrial Finance Corporation of India is continuing to disburse loans to co-operative sugar factories in cases where the same have been sanctioned. It has also not placed any embargo on consideration of fresh applications for financial assistance from sugar industry, but has had to slow down the processing of fresh applications in view of the very difficult resources position of the Corporation in the context of the heavy demands made on it from other priority industries as well.

(c) The overall problem of financial assistance to new co-operative sugar factories, the expansion of existing ones and all other matters connected therewith, are engaging the urgent attention of the Government in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development & Cooperation in consultation with the Ministry of Finance and the financial institutions.

#### **Affairs of M/S Aminchand Pyarelal**

2715. **Shri Madhu Limaye :**

**Shrimati Renu Chakravartty**

**Shri Bade :**

**Shri D. C. Sharma :**

**Shri Tulsidas Jadhav :**

**Shri Prabhat Kar :**