

STATEMENT

State/Union Territory	(Rs. in lakhs)
1. Arunachal Pradesh	65.72
2. Assam	1185.13
3. Bihar	3469.66
4. Goa	24.39
5. Haryana	115.99
6. Himachal Pradesh	320.75
7. Jammu and Kashmir	19.45
8. Karnataka	966.47
9. Madhya Pradesh	1575.44
10. Maharashtra	2697.90
11. Manipur	131.82
12. Meghalaya	868.58
13. Mizoram	19.44
14. Nagaland	35.65
15. Orissa	4901.68
16. Punjab	446.00
17. Rajasthan	1369.61
18. Tamilnadu	2.67
19. Tripura	20.05
20. Uttar Pradesh	3244.74
21. Chandigarh	24.68
22. Dadra and Nagar Haveli	4.55
23. Daman and Diu	4.65
24. Delhi	171.18

[English]

Operation Black Board

3321. SHRI DINSHA PATEL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) when was the Operation Black Board Scheme launched and with what objectives;

(b) the allocation made to Gujarat under Operation Black Board during the 8th Five Year Plan; and

(c) the extent of success achieved in implementation of the Scheme and the number of class rooms have been constructed under the Scheme in Gujarat during the period, District-wise, separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA):

(a) The scheme of Operation Blackboard launched in 1987-88 is a major initiative to provide facilities in primary schools, by providing two all weather class rooms with separate toilet facilities for boys and girls,

a set of teaching learning materials and an additional teacher for single teacher schools.

(b) A sum of Rs. 29.28 Crores has been allocated to Government of Gujarat under Operation Blackboard scheme during 8th Five Year Plan.

(c) Achievements in Gujarat under Operation Blackboard are as follows :

(i) 3569 class rooms have been constructed.

(ii) 2374 additional teachers have been provided in single teacher primary schools.

(iii) 12393 primary schools have been provided Teaching Learning Materials.

The scheme has also been extended to upper primary schools.

Vallar Padam International Container Terminal

3322. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have received any request from Kerala for setting up of Vallar Padam International Container at Cochin;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) to (c). Demands have been raised to contract a modern container terminal at Vallarpadam at Cochin Port which can be used as transshipment port. Cochin Port has been asked to update the feasibility report for the purpose.

Illegal Occupation of Defence Land in Amritsar

3323. SHRI MAJOR SINGH UBOKE : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether a large chunk of the Defence land at Gobindgarh Fort in Amritsar has been usurped by local inhabitants;

(b) whether some people are still extending their occupation on such lands and are also selling it or letting it out to others for construction of houses and shops;

(c) the total area around and belonging to Gobindgarh Fort Amritsar, under illegal occupation; and

(d) the future policy of the Government in regard to these occupations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU) : (a) to (c). Approximately, 48.05 acres of Defence land is under encroachment by the private parties in the Gobindgarh

Fort Area of Amritsar. Cases of selling or letting out encroached land to others have not come to the knowledge of the Ministry of Defence.

(d) The future policy in regard to these occupations in being worked out in consultation with DGDE, Army Headquarters and the State Government.

[Translation]

His Holiness Dalai Lama's Political Activities

3324. SHRI CHANDRESH PATEL :
SHRI RATILAL KALIDAS VERMA :
DR. VALLABH BHAI KATHIRIA :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Bharath Se Dalai lama Ko Gathividhi Ki Ijazath nahi" that appeared in Hindi daily "Hindustan" dated November 18, 1996;

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein;

(c) whether the Prime Minister had given any assurance to Chinese Premier during this visit to Rome in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL) : (a) to (d). Prime Minister met the Chinese Premier Li Peng in Rome on 16 November, 1996. During their discussions which covered a number of Subject, Prime Minister informed the Chinese Premier that the position of the Government of India on Tibet and His Holiness, the Dalai Lama, remain unchanged.

[English]

ICDEOL, Shimla

3325. SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether an International Centre for Distance Education and Open Learning is being run under the aegis of Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla;

(b) whether students have to pay exorbitant amount for completion of the formalities even for that which are not of their interest; and

(c) if so, the action, the Government propose to take to ameliorate the entire working of the ICDEOL?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of Sabha.

Epidemic Diseases

3326. SHRI B. DHARMA BIKSHAM : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the names of epidemics hunted Delhi during the last three years;

(b) the number of deaths due to Plague; and

(c) the action taken/proposed to be taken to prevent the recurrence of these disease in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) Outbreaks of epidemic diseases in Delhi which have been investigated during 1994-96 are as under :

	1994	1995	1996
Acute G.E. including Cholera.		2	-
Jaundice	1	3	3
Viral Fever	1	-	-
Dengue	-	-	1
Chicken Pox	1	-	-
Plague	1	-	-
Malaria	1	-	1

(b) One death due to Plague was reported in Delhi during 1994.

(c) Necessary assistance in the form of investigation, understanding the spread of the disease and laboratory support were provided. A National Apical Advisory Committee has been constituted under the Chairmanship of Union Health Secretary to formulate a nation-wide disease surveillance network. The action points envisaged under the disease surveillance scheme are collection and flow of information, strengthening of laboratory diagnostic services, networking of centres and continuous monitoring of disease prevalence.

Employment for Burma Repatriate

3327. SHRI ANAND RATNA MAURYA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are aware that Burma Repatriate having valid documents and duly sponsored by Employment Exchange for Group 'C' & 'D' posts in the Rajendra Memorial Research Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi are being discriminated against for employment; and

(b) if so, the corrective measures Government propose to take in this regard?