

- (iii) Grp 'C' posts are likely to be filled in 1997 after conduction of examination and result declared thereof.

Construction of New Railway Lines

4086. SHRI K. PARASURAMAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have considered for construction of new railway lines between Chengalpattu Junction and the famous tourist resort of Mahabalipuram via Kalpakkam and Tirukkazhikunram;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Constraint of resources.

Bonded Labours

4087. SHRI UDDHAB BARMAN : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether the National Authority for the Elimination of Child Labour has adopted an annual action Plan entitled "Identification, Release and Rehabilitation";

(b) if so, the details of the action plan; and

(c) the progress made in identifying, releasing and rehabilitation of the child labour, under the above plan, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) to (c). The National Authority for the Elimination of Child Labour has adopted a plan of action titled "Identification, Release and Rehabilitation of Child Labour" to tackle the problem of child labour in the country. Briefly, it calls for a convergence of services and schemes of the Central and State Governments at the implementing level the district to effectively handle the identification and rehabilitation of child labour, the economic rehabilitation of the family with child labour and stricter enforcement of relevant laws. By the end of the year 1995-96, a total of 76 child labour projects were sanctioned in 11 states for rehabilitation of 1.5 lakh children. As per the available information, so far 104,615 children have already been covered under different projects as per the details below.

States	No. of School opened	No. of children covered
1	2	3
Andhra Pradesh	610	36,249
Bihar	173	10,094

1	2	3
Gujarat	23	1,254
Karnataka	24	1,200
Madhya Pradesh	87	6,524
Maharashtra	24	1,200
Orissa	239	14,972
Rajasthan	54	2,700
Tamil Nadu	307	14,684
Uttar Pradesh	105	7,488
West Bengal	164	8,250
Total	1810	104,615

Doordarshan/Akashvani Programmes in Maharashtra

4088. DR. G.R. SARODE :

SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the total population covered by the T.V. transmitter in Maharashtra;

(b) whether the Doordarshan/Akashvani programmes are not received in large parts of the State;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government propose to install more HPT/LPT in the State during the current year and Ninth Five Year Plan Period; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, location-wise?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) to (c). Whereas TV service is available in the entire State of Maharashtra through Satellite using suitable dish antenna, 85.2% population and 74.1% of area of the State are covered terrestrially by TV Transmitters. Existing coverage in respect of All India Radio in Maharashtra is 99% by areas and population. Barring few pockets the entire State is covered by one or more BW/FM Transmitters. These pockets, however, are expected to be covered on SW Band.

(d) and (e). Yes, Sir. The 9th Five Year Plan is still under formulation and it will not be possible to give details at this stage. However, the details of TV projects, location-wise presently under implementation in Maharashtra is given in the enclosed Statement.