

<i>Name of the Blocks</i>	<i>No. of schools covered</i>	<i>Schools without Buildings</i>
Khagariya	74	7
Amoli	82	12
Barari	113	24

The State Government has informed that out of these 43 buildingless schools, buildings have been constructed for 30 schools and for the remaining 13, funds have been made available to the District Collectors.

Problems in Ordnance Clothing Factory, Shahjahanpur

*380. SHRISANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received representations regarding problems prevailing and irregularities being committed in Ordnance Clothing Factory, Shahjahanpur, and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the remedial measures proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) Yes, Sir

(b) Subjects on which representations/complaints have been received, include disciplinary action; conduct of individuals; filling up of vacancies; eviction from factory accommodation; expenditure incurred on Civil works and Vehicles; load position in the factory; and placing of orders by Defence Establishments with private suppliers.

Complaints against the individuals have

been enquired into and disposed of as per orders/rules.

[English]

Low Representation of SC/ST in Class I Services

*381. SHRI HET RAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for low representation of SC/ST in class I services of Union Government:

(b) whether Government propose to review its reservation policy by extending it to promotions in Class I services by selection method;

(c) the principles laid down by Government for classifying the class of officers in Undertakings; and

(d) on what principles, the maximum of scale has been taken as classifying factor instead of minimum of scale/total of minimum of gross pay in a scale for purpose of extending the concept of reservation for SC/ST in services?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) to (d). Representation of SC/ST in Group 'A' Services/posts in Government is relatively less than the prescribed percentage of reservation when compared to similar percentages

at other levels of services/posts in Government mainly because for direct recruitment to reserved vacancies, adequate number of SC/ST candidates possessing the required qualifications and experience are not always available. Also where posts are filled by promotion, suitably qualified candidates are at times not available in the feeder categories for filling reserved posts. With the introduction of reservation for SC/ST in promotion by seniority subject to fitness method at all levels from 1972 and the special efforts made to upgrade the skills of SC/ST candidates, the representation of SC/ST in Group 'A' posts has shown gradual improvement over the year.

Government do not have any proposal under consideration to review its reservation policy by extending it for promotion in Group 'A' Services by selection method.

As the classification of posts in different Public Sector Undertakings is neither identical nor similar to that in vogue in Government, for purposes of reservation, posts in Public Sector Undertakings have been grouped as 'A', 'B', 'C' and 'D' categories having regard to certain pay levels as the criteria for such grouping of posts.

The maximum of the scale of pay has always been adopted as the criterion for classification of posts for all purposes including appointments, disciplinary matters etc. The same practice has been followed for purposes of reservation also.

Visits of Vice-Chancellors Abroad

*382. KUMARI UMA BHARATI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of visits abroad by Vice-Chancellors of Central and State Universities during the last three years and the current year, yearwise and University-wise;

(b) the names of the countries so visited and the purpose and period of each visit; and

(c) the total expenditure so incurred, year-wise and University-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF THE HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) to (c). Information regarding visits abroad of the Vice-Chancellors of the Central Universities during the last three years and the current year is given in the enclosed statement. The expenditure on many of these visits was met by the organisers of the conference, seminars, etc. The information given in the Annexure pertains only to the expenditure met by the concerned University. The Vice-Chancellors of the State Universities do not need approval of the Central Government for visits abroad and Central Government, therefore, do not have information about foreign visits of Vice-Chancellors of State Universities.