## Transfer of Centrally Sponsored Schemes to States

Written Answers

SHRI K.S. RAO: \*88. SHRI BANWARI LAL PURO-HIT:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal for transfer of certain Centrally Sponsored Schemes to the State Governments in 1990-91 annual plans;
- (b) If so, the details of the schemes proposed to be transferred and the considerations that weighed in favour of the transfer:
- (c) whether all the modalities in this regard have been considered; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISH-WANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) to (d). The Planning Commission is of the view that there should be a more selective approach to Centrally Sponsored Schemes in the Eighth Plan. The large number of such schemes currently in operation are being reviewed with a view to determining which need to be continued at all, which may be transferred to the States along with the resources, and which may need to be retained. Final decisions have not yet been taken.

[Translation]

## Rock Shelters and Paintings of Prehistoric Period

\*89. SHRI RAMESHWAR PATIDAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether many prehistoric and stone

age rock shelters and paintings have been found in Hoshangabad area of Malwa District and Bhopal, Raisen, Vidisha and other regions of Madhya Pradesh, which tell about the evolution of man;

- (b) if so, whether any scheme has been formulated by Union Government for their preservation;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOL-OGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN DE-PARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DE-VELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) Yes, Sir. Rock shelters, with and without paintings, have been found in various regions of Madhya Pradesh, including Malwa and other sites indicated in the question; of these over 200 have been explored. They cover various periods from prehistoric to the later medieval times. Studies on these relate to dating, analysis of inscriptions and the history and evolution of humankind.

(b) to (d). Among these, the important ones depicting animal, human and half-animal figures, religious symbols, riding, fishing, hunting and dancing scenes, etc., are being preserved under normal conservation. and maintenance programmes by the Archaeological Survey of India as monuments of National Importance under the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958. No special scheme is further required.

## Restructuring of Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan

\*90. SHRI JANARDAN TIWARI: SHRIT. BASHEER: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: