

**SHRI M. RAGHUMA REDDY :** Sir, in Andhra tribal blocks, the Government of India intended to supply coarse rice at the rate of one rupee eighty five paise. The hon. Minister does not know that the Andhra Pradesh Government is supplying fine quality rice at the rate of two rupees. Nobody wants coarse rice in Andhra and that is why, we are supplying fine quality rice. The cost of expenditure is five to six rupees per kg. for fine rice and we are supplying it at the rate of two rupees. Except Andhra, no State, neither the Congress ruled States nor the other States, is supplying fine quality rice at the rate of two rupees to the poor people. Andhra is the only State in the country feeding the poor people. What is the source of information with which the Minister is misleading the House? I want a categorical answer from the Minister.

**SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY :** I am thankful to the hon. Member for bringing to my notice this new thing. I will bring to the notice of the hon. Member that the distribution price from Food Corporation of India for fine rice is Rs. 2.84 and we are distributing to the States at subsidised price of Rs. 1.95. For his information, there is a subsidy of 89 paise...*(Interruptions)* I am sorry to state that the people of Andhra Pradesh are deprived of the benefit that is given under this programme and this is meant for the poorer people. It is the most unfortunate thing. We are not at all satisfied with the performance of the State Government...*(Interruptions)*

**THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKAR) :** For the purpose of the tribals, the rice is supplied at the subsidised rate and you are saying all that...*(Interruptions)*

**MR. SPEAKER :** The Question Hour is over,

#### WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

*[English]*

##### Working of Indian Council of Historical Research

\*23. **SHRI PRAKASH CHANDRA :**  
**SHRI SUBHASH YADAV :**

Will the Minister of HUMAN

RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have inquired into the working of the Indian Council of Historical Research during the last three years;

(b) if so, the nature of irregularities noticed; and

(c) the action taken/proposed to improve the working of this Council ?

**THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKAR) :** (a) to (c). No inquiry has been conducted by the Government of India into the working of the Council during the last three years. However, a review on the various activities of the Council was conducted by the Audit from June to October, 1987 covering the period from 1978-79 to 1986-87. A para on the review by the Audit has been included in the report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year ended 31st March, 1987 which was presented to the Parliament on 10th May, 1988. A copy of the report was received in the Ministry of Human Resource Development on 28th June, 1988 for furnishing 'action taken notes' in respect of the paras concerning the Ministry, which is receiving attention.

*[Translation]*

##### Shortage of Teachers for Navodaya Vidyalayas

\*27. **SHRI KAMLA PRASAD RAWAT :**  
**SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK :**

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a shortage of suitable teachers in Navodaya Vidyalayas opened under the new education policy;

(b) if so, whether any steps are being taken to ensure that studies in the Vidyalayas do not suffer on this account;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

**THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RE-**