respectively, may be deemed sacrosanct.

(d) The responsibility for the development of various categories of backward areas is that of the State Governments. However, at the time of formulation of Five Year Plan/Annual Plan, it is ensured that a certain order of funds from the State Plan flows into these areas for area-specific development programmes. Besides, some additional Central assistance is also provided as a supplement to accelerate the pace of development in these areas.

	Statement						
Subject	Classification/ Delimitation	Administration of Special Programmes	Special treatment meted out				
1. Scheduled Areas	Constitutionally laid down and Notification issu- ed by Law Ministry on advice of Home Mi- nistry.	· .	 (a) Political—reservation of seats in legislatures and local bodies; (b) Protective—Special legis lation for protecting eco nomic interests; 				
2. Tribal Arca	s Planning Commission in consultation with the Home Ministry.		 (c) Development—implementation of special programmes for educational and socio- economic development; (d) Special Central assistance for Tribal Sub-Plans 				
. Hilly Areas	National Development Council	Planning Commission	Special Centralassistance for Hilly areas.				
. Desert Areas	Ministry of Rural Reco- nstruction.	Ministry of Rural I Reconstruction	Desert Devélopment Programme- Centrally Sponsored Scheme,				
Backward Arcas (Industrially backward)	Planning Commission in consultation with the Ministries of Industry, Finance and State Governments.	Ministry of Industry (Concessional Finance and in- vestment subsidy.				

Fixation of Seniority of Assistants in Minjstry of Commerce

*571. SHRI GHULAM RASOOL KO-CHACK: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Assistants directly recruited through U.P. S.C. have been placed senior to the departmentally promoted Assistants in the Ministry of Commerce;

(b) whether it is a fact that departmentally promoted Assistants with long experience and qualification_s have suffered as a result of these rules; and

(c) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to see that seniority is fixed on the basis of date of entry/ confirmation in the grade of Assistants irrespective of the incumbents entry to the cadre through U.P.S.C. of departmentally?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND DEPARTMENT OF PARLIA- **MENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. VEN-KATASUBBAIH):** (a) The relative seniority of Direct recruit Assistants and those appointed substantively as Assistants from select list in the Ministry of Commerce has been assigned according to the quotas of substantive vacancies in the grade reserved respectively for them a_S prescribed under regulation 3(3) of the fourth schedule to the C.S.S. Rules, 1962.

(b) Question does not arise as their seniority has been fixed strictly in accordance with the rules and regulations which have been finalised after careful thought.

(c) Since the seniority rules of the Assistants' Grade follow the General principles for the fixation of *inter-se* seniority of direct recruits and promotees no change in the existing rules is contemplated.

Amount spent on Freight for Transportation of Cement and Clinker

4368. SHRI B. R. NAHATA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total amount of freight paid for transportation of

cement and clinkers from various cement factories in the country to different places;

(b) details factory-wise of total quantum of cement and clinkers transported; and

(c) their destination to which the cement and clinkers were transported from each factory during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI CHARANJIT CHANANA): (a) The total amount of freight paid for transportation of cement and clinker during the years 1977, 1978 and 1979 is indicated below:—

Year	Amoun	t paid			
	(in million rupees)				
1977	9	83			
1978	11	1103			
1979	10	87			

(b) and (c). Quantum of clinker moved from various factories to different destination_s during the years 1977, 1978 and 1979 is as under:—

Name of Factory				Destination to which	1977	1978	1979
				transported	(Thou	(Thousand	
Satna Cement Works	•	•		Durgapur	140	165	612
Shree Digviay Cement C., Sikka				Sewree	162	181	140
A.C.C. Works Khalari	•	•		Ahmedabad. Sindri	85 40	110 32	109 17
A.C.C. Works, Jamul	•	•		Sindri	••	••	3
				Total :	427	 488	421