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While BKD is strongly of the opinion that large farms be cut down and excess land distributed amongst Harijans or agricultural labourers, it considers that the programme offers no real solution of the problem of poverty and unemployment. In any case, the land so available would have been too little to go round all the persons that may need it. In view of the drum-beating in which Congressmen have indulged, however, very little land will, in fact, be available, if at all. By the time the legislation is enacted, it would have all been transferred to relatives and others.

Development of non-agricultural resources offers the only solution of our economic problem. Undue emphasis on this question by the various parties serves simply to distract our attention from the real solution. On the other hand, the problem goes on getting worse and worse as time passes.

As a small contribution to the ultimate solution of our problem, BKD, however, proposes that :

- (a) one-third of the unskilled and clerical jobs in industrial establishments governed by the Factories Act, 1948, be reserved in future for members of the scheduled castes;
- (b) one-third of permits and licences which require no technical knowledge to exploit, be also similarly reserved for members of the scheduled-castes;
- and
- (c) 20% of the teaching jobs in all private institutions also be similarly reserved for members of the scheduled castes.

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