

(c) *Expenditure on telephone:*

	Rs.
Jan. 89 to Dec. 88	3,558
Jan. 89 to Dec. 89	9,478
Jan. 90 to Jul. 90	4,982
TOTAL	18,018

(d) *Expenditure on electricity equipments:*

	Rs.
Jan. 88 to Dec. 88	33,866
Jan. 89 to Dec. 89	30,072
Jan. 90 to Jul. 90	15,299
TOTAL	79,237

Study conducted on coliform by ITRC, Lucknow

1445. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether ITRC, Lucknow has conducted study on the antibiotic resistance of coliform in drinking water; if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether similar work has been undertaken/is proposed to be undertaken under ITRC's various programmes for common pesticides found in soil and water?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) Yes, Sir. The Industrial Toxicology Research Centre, Lucknow has conducted studies of coliforms in drinking water sources in various problem districts in hilly areas and in plains, which have indicated resistance in varying degrees for different antibiotics.

(b) Data on pesticide residues in some drinking water samples, including Ganga, Yamuna, Hooghly waters indicate presence of commonly used pesticides such as DDT, HCH, Endosulfan in some samples. In general their levels were below the permissible limits

as prescribed by World Health Organisation.

Setting up of central university at Tezpur, Assam

1446. SHRI BHADRESWAR BURAGOHAIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the demand for setting up of a Central University at Tezpur in Assam;

(b) whether Government propose to introduce a Bill to this effect, during the current session of Parliament; and

(c) if not., what are the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Legislation for establishment of a teaching and affiliating University in Assam at Silchar was enacted in May, 1989. It has since been decided to set up two campuses of the University. Accordingly the Assam Government has been requested to make suitable land and infrastructural facilities available in the Brahmaputra and the Barak Valley for this purpose.