

(c) Yes, Sir. Several high-yielding varieties of gram, arhar (pigeon pea) moong (green gram), urd (black gram), peas and cowpea have been developed and introduced which possess better yield potential and offer higher productivity per hectare.

(d) In addition to the introduction of high-yielding varieties, the following measures have been taken and are being intensified under the New Twenty Point Programme:

- (i) multiplication and use of improved seeds;
- (ii) distribution of minikits of all pulses;
- (iii) use of phosphatic fertilisers and treatment of seeds with rhizobium culture and other package of practices;
- (iv) adoption of plant protection measures;
- (v) increase of the area under summer pulses under irrigated condition; and
- (vi) launching a new campaign of inter-cropping arhar with kharif crops like soyabean, bajra, cotton, groundnut under both irrigated and rainfed conditions.

Passenger and Cargo ship service between the mainland and the Andamans and Nicobar Islands

*188. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the passenger and cargo ship service between the mainland and the Andamans & Nicobar Islands and also between these Islands is very meagre and irregular;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Administration of these Islands and several public organisations have made demands for more and better ship service; and

(c) if so, what steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI C. M. STEPHEN): (a) The present passenger and Cargo ship service between the mainland and the Andaman and Nicobar Islands and also between these Islands is not considered, by and large, inadequate.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) To meet the increasing requirements, the Andaman and Nicobar Administration acquired a passenger vessel M.V. 'AKBAR' in April, 1982 for being operated on the mainland/Andaman service. A proposal to supplement the services by another ship for six months in a year is being examined.

As for inter-Island services, presently there are four vessels operating including a new vessel M.V. 'SENTINEL' acquired by the Andaman and Nicobar Administration on 28-7-1982. Another similar vessel is expected to be delivered by Mazagon Dock Ltd. by December, 1982. Besides, 23 vessels of various sizes are proposed to be acquired during 6th Five Year Plan by the Andaman & Nicobar Administration.

Promotion of Sanskrit in the country

189. SHRI DHARAM CHANDER: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what steps Government propose to take for promotion of Sanskrit in the country; and

(b) whether due to three-language formula and new syllabi formulated by the Universities and Education departments in certain States, the teaching of Sanskrit has received a set back and if so, what is the scheme with the Government so that Sanskrit learning does not vanish from the country ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI P.K. THUNGON): (a) A statement is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix CXXIV, Annexure No. 64].

(b) Even if the three-language formula does not provide for the introduction of Sanskrit as one of the languages, there is no bar to offering it as an elective or optional subject. As a matter of fact, Government is encouraging Sanskrit being studied as an elective or optional subject in the Secondary Schools. In view of the various schemes operated by the Government for propagation and development of Sanskrit and in view of efforts of the various voluntary organisations, there is no fear of Sanskrit learning vanishing from the country.

Construction/Allotment of Flats under the HUDCO Pattern Scheme

*190. SHRI D. HEERACHAND: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of flats constructed by the DDA under the HUDCO Pattern Scheme which are ready for allotment to persons registered under this scheme, category-wise ; and

(b) by when the second draw of lots is likely to be held by the DDA for the allotment of these flats ?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI BHISHMA NARAIN SINGH): (a) The DDA has reported that the houses constructed by them under the HUDCO Pattern Scheme, 1979, category-wise, is as follows:—

MIG	LIG	Janta/EWS	Total
1780	4734	9761	16,275

Most of these flats have already been allotted.

(b) As reported by the DDA, three draws have already been held for the allotment of flats under this scheme. The next draw is likely to be held in December, 1982 or January, 1983.

10 Plus 2 plus 3 system of Education

191. SHRI F.M. KHAN :
SHRI SYED AHMAD
HASHMI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the States in which 10+2+3 system of education has been implemented;

(b) the names of the States in which only 10+2 stage has been implemented;

(c) the names of the States in which +3 stage of system of education has been implemented but not the 10+2 stage; and

(d) by when the 10+2+3 system of education will be implemented uniformly throughout the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRIMATI SHEILA KAUL): (a) The following States and Union Territories