

(f) and (g) The planning Commission has constituted a working Group under the Chairmanship of Secretary DST to make recommendations on the S&T component of the Sixth Five Year Plan 1980—85. The report is presently under finalisation. The allocations for S & T Sector can be indicated only after the plan is finalised.

(h) and (i) Considerable efforts have been made at Centre and State level to disseminate scientific and technical knowledge to society as a whole through the setting up of science museums, Science exhibitions, industrial fairs, publication of popular books and journals in local languages etc. These efforts are being further enhanced. However, there is no doubt great need to augment and diversify efforts for creating scientific temper in Society which is necessary for the growth of Science as well as its utilization, and for the scientific approach to permeate the entire functioning of society. The working Group on the Science and Technology component of the Sixth Plan (1980-85) has pointed out the need for efforts in this direction and made several recommendations.

**Money spent for maintenance of the official vehicles and for the purchase of petrol and diesel**

1984. SHRI HARKISHAN SINGH SURJEET : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) what is the amount of money spent by Central Scientific Instruments Organisation (CSIO), Chandigarh for maintenance of the official vehicles and for the purchase of petrol and diesel; and

(b) whether the expenditure is on the high side and is in contravention of the Government instructions on economy measures especially in the use of staff cars/vehicles?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND ELECTRONICS (SHRI C.P.N. SINGH) : (a) The information is as follows :

Particulars	Amount spent during 1979-80
	(Rs. in lakhs)
(i) Maintenance of 14 official vehicles at CSIO	0.918 (Approx.)
(ii) Cost of Petrol and diesel	1.127 (Approx.)

(b) No, Sir. There was a slight increase of about 1% in the consumption of fuel, beyond the ceiling prescribed.

The Institute has, however, been instructed to follow strictly the economy instructions in the consumption of petrol.

**Selection under Council of Scientific and Industrial Research**

1985. DR. BHAI MAHAVIR : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any provision for appeal against a Selection under Council of Scientific and Industrial Research ;

(b) if so, what is the final appellate authority ; and

(c) whether the aggrieved persons have a right to have personal interview with the final appellate authority ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

AND ELECTRONICS ( SHRI C. P. N. SINGH ) : (a) to (c) Selections in the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) are made on the recommendations of Selection Committees duly constituted under the rules prescribed for the purpose, before they are approved by the Appointing Authority. There is no provision in the rules for an appeal against the recommendations of Selection Committee.

The aggrieved persons are free to submit representations for consideration by the higher authorities. The highest authority is the President, CSIR.

**Pay scale and rank to a foreign trained/qualified scientist in India**

1986. DR. BHAI MAHAVIR : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether an Indian scientist with a post-doctoral fellowship in USA or some other advanced country is assured a minimum pay scale and rank in the hierarchy of scientists commensurate with his standing on his return to India ;

(b) if so, the pay scale and the rank ; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, whether Government propose to prescribe the appropriate minimum pay scale and rank to enable foreign trained/qualified scientists to assess their prospects and to get a fair deal on their return to India ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND ELECTRONICS (SHRI C. P. N. SINGH) : (a) to (c) No minimum pay scale and rank has been prescribed, which an Indian Scientist with a post doctoral fellowship in USA or other advanced country will receive on an assure basis on

returning to India. However, on the recommendation of an appropriate Selection Committee a specially qualified Scientist may be given a higher starting salary or even placed in a higher grade.

For temporary placement of highly qualified Scientists and Engineers, CSIR is operating the scheme of the "Scientists Pool". Selections to the Scientists Pool are made by UPSC in consultation with a Special Recruitment Board. Selected persons are given a fixed salary ranging between Rs. 700 to Rs. 1300 p. m. plus allowances. They are governed by rules applicable to temporary Class I Officers of CSIR; they may be attached to any suitable organisation (including the private sector) where they wish to work and which is willing to have them. Pool Officers are free to apply for any posts, and leave the Pool without a formal notice period.

**Scanning Electron's Microscope Project**

1987. SHRI HARKISHAN SINGH SURJEET : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Department of Science and Technology has sponsored a Scanning Electron Microscope project jointly by Central Scientific Instruments Organisation, Chandigarh and some other Research Institute ; and

(b) when was this project sponsored, when it was to be completed and what is its late position ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND ELECTRONICS (SHRI C.P.N. SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A joint project to design and develop the prototype of a Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) and to carry out research in asso-