

are pending before Government and from what date?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Allotment of Government accommodation to journalists

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SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH:

Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of out of turn, allotment of Government flats was made to journalists upsetting the seniority list for pool maintained by the P.I.B. during Janata and its successor Government;

(b) whether Government propose to lay a list of such; allotments with details about the date of first eligibility, date of allotment, type of accommodation etc. on the Table of the House; and

(c) whether it is a fact that a number of pro-Janata newsmen were given accommodation of types higher than D-i and if so, what are the names of such journalists?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) Nine accredited journalists were allotted accommodation from the Press Pool on out of turn basis during Janata and its successor Government.

(b) The list is attached.

(c) No, Sir.

Statement
Out of turn allotments from Press Pool.

Sl. No.	Name of the Pressman S/Shri	Date of first eligibility (i.e. date of accreditation)	Date of allotment & type of accommodation allotted	Remarks
1	T. R. Chopra . . .	13-8-1970	9/10/78 Type—V	On medical grounds. Recommended by the P.I.B.
2	B. R. Biswas . . .	28-6-1969	24/12/77 Type—IV	Do.
3	B. B. Mathur . . .	12-12-1977	1/2/1978 Type—V	Do.
4	S. Venkatesh . . .	1-5-1968	7/5/1978 Type—V	Allotment regularised in his name after the death of his brother. Recommended by the P.I.B.
5	S. K. Chadha . . .	15-12-1971	20/9/1978 Type—V	On medical grounds. Recommended by the P.I.B.
6	Kamal Sahai . . .	28-4-1977	2/5/1977 Type—IV	Allotment regularised after death of his father. Recommended by the P.I.B.
7	Raj Gill . . .	17-6-1977	5/1/1978 Type—V	The allotment made as a special case as approved by the then Minister of Works & Housing.
8	Abu Abraham . . .	14-6-1969	25/1/1979 Type—V	He was occupying M.Ps. (Rajya Sabha) flat in his capacity of Member of Rajya Sabha. He was allotted a Press Pool house on the recommendation of the P.I.B. as a special case.
9	Smt. Manu Hari Pathak	9-9-1975	22/8/1978 Type—V	Being a lady journalist she has to cover news at odd hours. Recommended by the P.I.B.