

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) From previous registrations upto 1976 the backlog of registrants with the Delhi Development Authority was about 16,500. When registration reopened in September, 1979 about 1.70 lakhs persons registered against about 30,000 anticipated by the Delhi Development Authority. As a result of the large registrations a total of about 1.86 lakhs persons was on the waiting list for a house on 1-1-80. Out of the old backlog of 16,500 about 4,500 are being offered houses this month.

(c) Yes, Sir. There is a phased programme but the details will have to be worked out keeping in view the availability of building materials and other inputs.

Allotment of paper to the Cooperatives

*128. SHRIMATI SUSHILA SHANKAR ADIVAREKAR: SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH :

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to refer to the reply to Starred Question 202 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 9th May, 1973 and state:

(a) what is the quantity of paper allotted to the Delhi Administration for July—September, October—December, 1979 and January—March, 1980 for distribution to the manufacturers of exercise note books;

(b) what are the names of individuals and organisations to whom concessional varieties of paper was allotted during these three quarters;

(c) whether it is a fact that in spite of repeated assurances and promises, the Delhi Administration have not been able to allocate sizeable quantities of concessional variety of paper to the co-operative sector; and

(d) if so, what action the Central Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARA-NAND): (a) 600 tonnes for July-September, 1979, 500 tonnes for October-December, 1979 and 500 tonnes for January-March, 1980 was allotted.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix CXIII, Annexure No. 14]

(c) and (d) Delhi Administration have stated that only such of the cooperative societies who are bonafide manufacturers of exercise books and were registered as small scale industrial units with the Directorate of Industries before 30-6-1978 are eligible for allotment of paper.

Setting up of a project to check cattle diseases

*129. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a project to check cattle diseases; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH): (a) and (b) Control of Animal diseases is a State subject. Central Government is administering Animal Quarantine and Certification Service Scheme under which Quarantine Stations are under establishment at international air/sea ports viz. Delhi, Madras, Calcutta and Bombay to check the ingress of exotic livestock diseases.

There are two schemes viz. Rinderpest Control Scheme and Foot and Mouth Disease Control Programme under which subsidy is given to the State Government, who contri-

bute their share and pass on the benefit to cattle owner*.

*130. [Transferred to the 25th March, 1980].

Utilisation of grants by the Indian Council of Social Science Research

*131. SHRI PRAKASH MEHROTRA: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Council of Social Science Research do not maintain proper records for watching the utilisation of grants given for various programmes; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that many research projects have been delayed for lack of supervision on the part of the ICSSR and also for their non-monitoring the progress of various projects; and

(c) if so, what steps Government have taken to remedy the situation?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE: (SHRI B. SHANKARA-NAND): (a) and (b) The maintenance of such records by the Indian Council of Social Science Research was not found satisfactory in 1977-78 and also there have been delays in completion of research projects.

(c) In view of the remedial action taken by the Indian Council of Social Science Research, the position is expected to improve.

Implementation of the recommendations of National Commission on Agriculture

*132. SHRI BISHAMBHAR NATH PANDE: SHRI KRISHNA NAND JOSHI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the implementation of various recommendations made by the National

Commission on Agriculture has been very slow;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Forestry Conference has recently recommended that top priority should be given to social forestry schemes and has suggested establishment of an organisation to promote it; and

(d) if so, what steps Government are taking in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH): (a) No, Sir; out of total 2361 recommendations of National Commission on Agriculture, 1905 recommendations on 81 per cent have been accepted and 1602 recommendations or 68 per cent are being acted upon.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir; Forestry Conference held in January, 1980 at Dehradun recommended that priority should be given to social forestry schemes and suggested establishment of an organisation to promote it. Government have formulated proposal for implementation of the recommendations.

Manuscripts in Orissa State Museum

*133. DR. LOKESH CHANDRA: SHRI MOHAMMED USMAN ARIF:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of manuscripts in the Orissa State Museum at present;

(b) what is the number of palm leaf manuscripts which are missing from the Museum; and

(c) what arrangements have made for microfilming them?