

Allotment of Government accommodation to the employees having their own houses

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SARASWATI PRADHAN:

Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to refer to the reply to Starred Question 85 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 16th November, 1977 and state:

(a) whether Government have invited applications from such house owning Central Government employees who had to vacate Government accommodation allotted to them; if so, what is the number of such applications for each type of accommodation received so far; and

(b) what steps Government have taken or propose to take to allot accommodation to the affected Central Government employees on the basis of their applications?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION (SHRI SIKANDAR BAKHT): (a) Yes, Sir. The number of applications received is as under:—

Type	No. of Applications
I	160
II	909
III	829
IV	930
V	60
VI	16
VII	3
VIII	1
TOTAL	2908

(b) The officers will have to wait for their turn.

Setting up of a Central University in Pondicherry

*619. SHRI P. P. MUNUSAMY: Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had decided in 1971 or 1972 to set up a Central University in Pondicherry and if so, what are the reasons for which it has not yet been set up;

(b) whether it is a fact that allocations were made in the Annual Plans of the Union territory during the past five years for setting up the University and the same were surrendered every year; and

(c) what is the amount provided in the annual plans during 1974-75, 1975-76 and 1976-77 and what are the reasons of surrendering the same?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (DR. PRATAP CHANDRA CHUN-DER): (a) to (c) In 1974, Government had approved in principle, the proposal for the establishment of a Central University in Pondicherry and to the setting up of a Committee to work out the details thereof.

The Committee so set up estimated that the total capital cost on the University was likely to be of the order of Rs. 8 crores during the next 10 years besides recurring expenditure of Rs. 2.20 crores over a period of 5 years. Due to financial constraints, the proposal could not be proceeded with. A provision of Rs. 25 lakhs and Rs. 5.50 lakhs respectively included by the Pondicherry Administration in their Annual Plans for 1976-77 and 1977-78 for acquisition and development of land for the University had also, therefore, to be surrendered.