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44. Dr. Jack Hutchings, USA.

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45. Dr. Richard Brown, USA.

46. Dr. A. Ifekwunigwe, Martin Luther King Jr. Hospital, California.

47. Dr. Alfred K. Neumann, Los Angeles.

48. Mrs. C. Neumann, University of California, Los Angeles.

Sex Education in Schools

626. SHRI F. M. KHAN: Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state;

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to introduce sex education in schools in the country; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (DR. PRATAP CHANDRA CHUNDER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Production and Consumption of Milk in the country

627. SHRI F. M. KHAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted any survey regarding the production and consumption of milk in the country particularly in the Southern States;

(b) whether it is a fact that the progress made so far in the field of animal husbandry has not been satisfactory; and

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

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Considering the level of inputs provided in support of the animal husbandry programmes, progress in this field is considered by and large satisfactory.

The Government is, however, undertaking an extensive exercise to redefine the priorities in this sector, and keeping in view the scope of employment generation in the rural areas will formulate suitable schemes for the purpose.

Vidya Bhavan Girls Higher Secondary School, Rajendra Nagar, New Delhi

628. SHRI SUJAN SINGH: Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Vidya Bhavan Girls Higher Secondary School, Rajendra Nagar, New Delhi, a Government aided School, does not have adequate accommodation for their students and as a result thereof primary and middle classes are held in tents;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the School has been collecting donations from students for the School building fund and if so, what is the amount of such funds collected during the last three years,

(c) whether the funds so far collected by the School for the purpose have been utilised for the purpose and if so, what are the details thereof;

(d) if the answer to part (c) above be in the negative, what are the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether Government propose to provide financial help to such aided Schools for their buildings with a view to lessening the burden on the parents of the students of such Schools?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI RENUKA DEVI BARA-KATAKI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) According to information received from the Delhi Administration, no donations, specifically towards the school building fund, have been collected by this school from its students.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

(e) Subject to the provisions of the Delhi School Education Rules, 1973, a private school can be given building grant for purchase, construction or extension of school or hostel buildings to the extent of 2/3rd of the total actual expenditure subject to a maximum of Rs. 1 lakh. The request of the Vidya Bhawan Girls Higher Secondary School, Rajendra Nagar, New Delhi, for a building grant is under consideration of the Delhi Administration.

Kaithal Drain

629. SHRI RANBIR SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Kaithal Drain is an inter-State drain of Haryana and Punjab which originates in Haryana and falls in Ghag-gar river in Punjab;

(b) if so, what is the amount of expenditure incurred in the Punjab area on the construction of the Kaithal Drain; and

(c) what is the amount claimed by the Punjab Government from Haryana and what is the amount paid by the Haryana Government on that account?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA): (a) Yes, Sir. Out of its total length 163,600 feet last 18,000 feet of Kaithal Drain fall in Punjab.

(b) and (c) According to the information supplied by the Govern-

ment of Haryana, they have paid an amount of Rs. 8 01,496 to the Government of Punjab after reorganisation of Punjab, for digging and widening of the Drain. Punjab Government has intimated that they have not claimed any amount for its execution.

Requirement of Dwelling Houses in the country

630. SHRI DEVENDRA NATH DWIVEDI: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a gap of 27.89 million units in the availability and requirement of dwelling houses in the country; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to reduce the gap?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION (SHRI SIKANDAR BAKHT): (a) and (b) According to an estimate made by the National Buildings Organisation, the housing shortage in the country at the beginning of the Fifth Plan, i.e. on the 1st April, 1974, was 15.6 million units— 3.6 million units in urban areas and 11.8 million units in rural areas.

The main highlights of the proposed future programme in the field of housing are:

(i) Adoption of a housing programme aimed at clearing the backlog and meeting the additional demand due to population growth and replacement of unusable houses, over a period of 20 years.

(ii) Restricting utilisation of public funds for low income households so that larger number of dwelling units are constructed with the resources allocated to this sector.

(iii) Provision of incentives to the private sector for taking up housing on a large scale.