

(c) The targets for enrolment for 1978-80 will emerge after discussions with State Governments/Union Territory Administrations for their five year (1978—83) aid annual (1979-80) plan proposals for educational development.

Delay in the construction of Vikas Minar

1501. SHRI R. R. MORARKA: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there was any delay in the completion of the building 'Vikas Minar' housing the DDA offices;

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

(c) what is the estimated loss of rent due to this delay; and

(d) whether Government have taken any steps to avoid such delays in completion of Government buildings?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION (SHRI SIKANDAR BAKHT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Some of the reasons for delay in completion of the building were:

(i) Provision of two additional storeys (instead of 21 storeys it was revised to 23 storeys);

(ii) Enlargement of the area of the basement from 612 sq. mts. to 3,771 sq. mts.;

(iii) Provision of four additional lifts;

(iv) Change in fire fighting protection arrangements.

(c) The Delhi Development Authority have reported that there was no loss of rent due to delay in the completion of the building as a part of the same had been occupied during construction.

(d) The question relates to DDA building.

Land prices for Group Housing Schemes in Rajouri Garden, Munirka etc.

1502. SHRI R. R. MORARKA: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the land prices for group housing schemes in Rajouri Garden, Munirka, Pandu Nagar, etc., have been fixed below the standard formula; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what is the loss suffered on that account?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION (SHRI SIKANDAR BAKHT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Stipulated estimate for the construction of Vikas Minar

1503- SHRI R. R. MORARKA: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) what was the preliminary estimate for the construction of 'Vikas Minar' for accommodating the offices of the DDA at one place;

(to) how many times the estimate was revised and what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether it is a fact that the final estimate was approved by the DDA after the completion of the building ?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION (SHRI SIKANDAR BAKHT): fa) The amount of preliminary estimate (work outlay) was about Rs. 73 lakhs.

(b) It was revised five times. The main reasons for revision were:

- (i) provision of two additional storeys (instead of 21 storeys it was revised to 23 storeys);
- (ii) Enlargement of the area of the basement from 612 sq. mts. to 3,771 sq. mts.;

(iii) Provision of four additional lifts;

(iv) Change in fire fighting protection arrangements.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Coopsrative Farms

1504. SHRI U. R. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) what steps Government have taken to promote cooperative farming in the country; aid

(b) what is the number of farms under the cooperative sector in the country at present ?

THE MINISTER OF STVTI
IN THE MINI TRY OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH): (a) The Government of India do not have any schemes far promoting cooperative farming in the country, at present.

(b) The information is available in the Statements relating to Cooperative Movement in India Part II (for non-credit Societies) published by the Reserve Back of India.

Non-official Agencies' offer for taking up the Adult education programme

1505. SHRI MANUBHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state the number of non-official agencies which have offered to take up the programme of adult education being launched on the 2nd October, 1978 ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (DR. PRATAP CHANDRA CHUNDER): Under the Scheme of Assistance to Voluntary Agencies working in the field of Adult Education, 82 non-official agencies were assisted for undertaking adult education activities in 1977-78. These agencies continue to work under the National Adult Education Programme which is formally being launched on 2nd October, 1978. In addition, 109 agencies have approached us for the first time, through their respective State Governments, for financial assistance for adult education activities to be taken up during 1978-79.