

73.42%. In order to arrest missing of trips and step up the utilization of the fleet, the maintenance system is being improved. Towards this end, six new depots are proposed to be constructed and the work has been entrusted to the National Building Construction Corporation. With the completion of the depots, during the current financial year, the Corporation would have infra-structure facilities for about 1900 buses. This is expected to provide adequate repairing and maintenance facilities for its fleet.

Admission facilities to students in various Colleges

456. SHRI KHURSHEED ALAM KHAN: Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that lack of adequate admission facilities in colleges of Delhi University generate numerous problems and discontent among the student community at the beginning of each academic session; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to ensure adequate admission facilities during the forthcoming academic session?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (PROF. S. NURUL HASAN): (a) and (b) According to the information furnished by Delhi University, during 1973-74 all eligible students were accommodated in regular colleges, evening classes, School of Correspondence and Continuing Education and Non-Collegiate Women Delegacy. For admissions during the ensuing academic session it is not proposed to open any new college. However, it has been proposed that:

(1) every effort would be made for providing about 1,000 additional seats in the existing colleges during 1974-75 through rationalisation of physical facilities and reorganisation;

(2) facilities provided by the Non-Collegiate Women's Delegacy be further expanded; and

(3) enrolment in the School of Correspondence Courses and Continuing Education be substantially increased.

Revision of post of lecturers in the polytechnics

457. DR R. K. CRAKRABARTI:

SHRI K. B. CHETTRI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Government on 26th November, 1969 had issued a circular to the State Governments recommending that for the posts of lecturers in technical subjects in polytechnic the present qualifications should be revised as at least a 2nd class diploma with two years teaching/industrial experience plus a diploma of Technical Teachers Training Institute;

(b) if so, the names of States which have accepted the recommendation and implemented the decision; and

(c) whether it is a fact that the West Bengal Government have not accepted the recommendation contained in the circular, if so, what reasons that Government have given and what steps Central Government are taking to see that the recommendation, contained in the circulars is implemented in that State?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (PROF. S. NURUL HASAN):

(a) Yes, Sir. On the advice of the All India Council for Technical Education the Central Government decided to recommend to all State Governments that the qualifications for the posts of lecturers in technical subjects in polytechnics be revised.

(b) According to information available, the State Governments of Assam, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Manipur and Uttar Pradesh have accepted these recommendations in full or with minor modifications. The State Governments of Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Karnataka, Maharashtra and Punjab have informed that these recommendations are still under their consideration.