

Sr. No.	Name of the State	No. of Central Schools as on 1st November 1973
Union Territories		
1. Goa		1
2. Pondicherry		1
3. Chandigarh		1
4. Andaman & Nicobar Islands (Port Blair)		1
5. Delhi		10
TOTAL		168
(including one at Kathmandu)		
Total number of students in the Central Schools : as on 1-8-1973 1,19,295		

Nehru Youth Centres

540. SHRI GUNANAND THAKUR : Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to open Nehru Youth Centres in every District of the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the progress made in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI D. P. YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) So far 80 Nehru Yuvak Kendras have been established in different States and Union Territories. 14 more Centres are being established shortly. Centres are proposed to be established in all districts during the Fifth Plan period.

The objectives and the programmes of these Kendras include:

(i) informal education for all categories of youth in the age-group 15 to 25, youth participation in removal of illiteracy, adult education programmes and establishment of library services.

(ii) development and broadbasing of competitive sports and games and

physical education activities, which would also enable talent being spotted in rural areas in the field of sports.

(iii) cultural activities through participation in performing arts, community singing, theatre and other activities conducive to the promotion of national integration.

(iv) programmes of social and community service involving students as well as non-student youth.

Maintenance of archaeological monuments

541. SHRIMATI AZIZA IMAM: Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state the details of the expenditure incurred during the last two years on the maintenance of archaeological monuments in the country?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (PROFESSOR S. NURUL HASAN) : The details of expenditure incurred are as under:—

(Rupees in lakhs)		
	Special Repairs	Annual Maintenance
1971-72	25.16	32.14
1972-73	35.95	33.64

These figures include the expenditure incurred on structural preservation, chemical preservation and horticultural operations as were necessary for the maintenance of monuments.

Gift of wheat from foreign countries

542. SHRI M. K. MC-HTA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are receiving 5 million tons of wheat as gift from certain countries; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB. P. SHINDE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.