THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE): (a) With the adoption of modern technology and High-Yielding Varieties Programme, the production of foodgrains particularly cereals, has increased at a higher rate than the cash crops. The cash crops have also started receiving due attention both at research and developmental levels and there are increasing indications of breakthrough in cotton and oilseeds crops.

(b) To increase the production of cash crops, intensive cultivation measures on the lines of the package programme have been taken and to supplement the efforts of the State Governments in this behalf, a number of Centrally Sponsored Schemes have been implemented to achieve a rapid growth in their production. Research Programmes have also been diversified with emphasis on varieties which would give practical results in the shortest possible time.

Funds Allocated for Opening of Agricultural Universities

1284. SHRI N. K. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total funds allocated for opening up new Agricultural Universities during the Fourth Five Year Plan;

(b) how many new Agricultural Universities have been opened so far in the Fourth Five Year Plan; and

(c) what is the total expenditure incurred in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE): (a) to (c) A statement is placed on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT (a) to (c) The Government of India do not themselves set up Agricultural Universities. However, they assist the State Governments through the Indian Council of Agricultural Research in the establishment and development of such Universities. Hundred per cent central financial assistance is provided under the Plan for selected items subject to a ceiling of Rs. 2 crores per State during the Fourth Plan period. Technical advice and assistance are also rendered to the State Governments concerned on drafting legislation, introduction of teaching reforms etc. So far, during the Fourth Plan, 10 Agricultural Universities have been established in the following States:

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These are in addition to the 9 Agricultural Universities set up earlier in U.P., Punjab, Rajasthan, Orissa, Andhra Pradesh, Mysore, Madhya Pradesh, West Bengal and Maharashtra.

(2) In Delhi, Indian Agricultural Research Institute is a deemed University for the purpose of imparting agricultural education at the post-graduate level. A proposal for the establishment of an Agricultural University in J. & K. is under consideration of the State Government.

Total allocation of the Fourth Plan Scheme "Establishment and Development of Agricultural Universities" was originally Rs. 21.25 crores which was raised to Rs. 24.76 crores at the time of mid-term appraisal of the Fourth Plan in view of increasing demand from the old agricultural universities and establishment of new agricultural universities. Financial assistance to the tune of about Rs. 13.31 crores has been released to the Agricultural Universities during the Fourth Plan period. Out of this an amount about Rs. 3.39 crores was released to the Agricultural universities established during the Fourth Plan period.

ALLOTMENT OF QUARTERS IN R. K. PURAM
1285. SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of residential quarters have been constructed in R. K. Puram which are complete in all respects for allotment;

(b) if so, what is their number in each type of accommodation;

(c) since when these have not been handed over to the Directorate of Estates;

(d) what is the amount of loss incurred by Government in this respect;

(e) whether enquiries have been made to fix responsibility for non-handing over of these completed quarters and for the loss sustained by Government; and

(f) whether Government would ensure that the completed quarters fit for habitation are handed over immediately for allotment to avoid loss of revenue/rent to Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (DR. DEBIPRASAD CHATTOPADHYAYA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to Ce) Do not arise.

(f) This is always done.

SHORTAGE OF WORK WITH THE CALCUTTA UNIT OF THE NATIONAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION
1286. SHRI NAWAL KISHORE: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Calcutta Unit of the National Buildings Construction Corporation Ltd., New Delhi has not much work in hand to ensure its continued existence;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Corporation is still not interested in taking any works at Calcutta because of the recent Naxalbari movement and its aftermath;

(c) if the reply to part (b) above be in the negative, the number of tenders submitted by the Corporation for securing works in West Bengal against the total number of tenders submitted by the Corporation during last three years; and

(d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Corporation for taking up more works in West Bengal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING (DR. DEBIPRASAD CHATTOPADHYAYA): (a) Works of the value of about Rs. 8 lakhs are in