

GUEST HOUSE IN ALLAHABAD UNIVERSITY

1456. SHRI A. C. GILBERT: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the report of the University Grants Commission visiting team under letter No. F.9-1(25)/66-CDN, dated July 5/8, 1967, to the Allahabad University stating that there is no Guest House at present in the University and recommending the construction of a Guest House at the cost of one and a half lakh of rupees;

(b) whether Government are aware that there is an eight double-room Guest House in the Senate House Campus; and

(c) if the answer to parts (a) and (b) above be in the affirmative, the action taken by the University Grants Commission in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (DR. TRIGUNA SEN): (a) to (c) The relevant recommendation of the Visiting Committee, set up by the University Grants Commission is reproduced below:

"There is no Guest House at present in the University. The arrangements for the stay of visitors is made in hotels which is quite expensive and inconvenient both to the University and the visitors. The Committee recommends that a Guest House may be provided to the University during the Fourth Plan period".

The Commission is being asked to look into the matter.

CLOSURE OF TRAFFIC ON NATIONAL HIGHWAY

1457. SHRI SRIMAN PRAFULLA GOSWAMI: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND SHIPPING be pleased to state the number of days on which traffic was closed year-wise on the National Highway No. 31 on the portion between Nalbari and Rangiya or near Nalbari due to the submergence during rainy seasons since the taking over of the road?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND SHIPPING (SHRI BHAKT DARSHAN): The information on the point raised is being collected and it will be laid on the Table of the Sabha in due course.

GRANTS-IN-AID TO MUSEUMS

1458. SHRI R. P. KHAITAN: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state the quantum of annual grants-in-aid given by Government to the various Museums (Museum-wise) in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (PROF. SHER SINGH): Particulars of annual grants-in-aid given by the Government to museums other than *ad hoc* grants given to museums for specific purposes, during the last three years are detailed below:—

Name of the Museum	Annual grants given in		
	1964-65	1965-66	1966-67
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1. Salarjung Museum, Hyderabad	4,50,000*	6,50,000*	6,42,000*
2. Indian Museum, Calcutta	5,38,637	5,47,738	6,01,929
			2,42,000†
3. Victoria Memorial Hall, Calcutta	2,06,692	2,16,000	2,77,537
			1,52,737‡
4. Nehru Memorial Museums & Library, New Delhi.	7,15,000

* Does not include non-recurring grants given for construction of building.

† Plan expenditure for general development of the museum.

‡ Plan expenditure for repair of their building.