

U.G.C. GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES IN  
PUNJAB AND HARYANA

1057. SHRI JAGAT NARAIN: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state whether the University Grants Commission has given any grant to the Universities in Punjab and Haryana during the current financial year and if so, the amount thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (DR. TRIGUNA SEN). The following grants have so far been paid during 1967-68 to the Universities in Punjab and Haryana by the University Grants Commission:—

	Rs.
Punjabi University, Patiala (Punjab)	1,23,897
Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra (Haryana)	8,17,088

The Commission has also paid during this period a grant of Rs. 3,41,494 to the Panjab University, Chandigarh.

T.B. AND OTHER DISEASES AMONG  
INDUSTRIAL WORKERS

1058. SHRI JAGAT NARAIN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that T.B. and eye diseases are on the increase among the industrial workers in the country who come under the Employees State Insurance Scheme; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to check the increase of these diseases?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI JAISUKHLAL HATHI): (a) The incidence of Tuberculosis during the Third Five Year Plan (1961-66) has been more or less static. Regarding diseases of the Eye, there has been a slight steady increase during this period.

(b) (i) *Tuberculosis*.—The following measures are taken:—

*Preventive measures*:—Mass miniature radiography, tuberculin test and B.C.G. Vaccination.

*Curative measures*.—T.B. Specialists are appointed under the Scheme in the diagnostic centres specialist centres Separate T.B. Clinics are being established under the Scheme for an insurable population of 50,000 or more.

*In-patient treatment*.—T.B. patients are given in-patient treatment in Employees State Insurance T.B. Hospitals/Annexes or in the beds reserved in the T.B. Hospitals/wards of the State Governments and other hospitals.

*Domiciliary treatment*.—is being given under the Employees State Insurance Scheme so as to reduce pressure on the Hospital beds.

(ii) *Diseases of Eye*.—Eye specialists are available under the Employees State Insurance Scheme in all implemented areas and all cases needing specialist check-up and treatment are referred to them. Beds for in-patient treatment are arranged in the Employees State Insurance Hospitals and State Government Hospitals. The insured persons are also provided with spectacles at the sole cost of the Corporation if the impairment of vision is due to employment injury.

STRENGTH OF HOME GUARDS

1059. SHRI JAGAT NARAIN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to raise the strength of the Home Guards Force in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI K. S. RAMASWAMY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.