

FIDELITY BONDS

197. SHRI A. D. MANI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state whether any decision has been taken regarding the issue of Fidelity Bonds for Government employees by the Posts & Telegraphs Employees' Co-operative Societies; if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JAGANNATH RAO): The matter is still under consideration. Meanwhile these Co-operative Societies continue to be recognised for issue of Fidelity Bonds for P. & T. employees, as in the past.

INDIA OFFICE LIBRARY'

198. SHRI A. D. MANI: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the British Government have decided to give to the Government of India important documents from the India Office Library; and

(b) if so, what are the documents which are going to be returned to India?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI M. C. CHAGLA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

APPOINTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL TRIBUNALS

199. SHRI D. L. SEN GUPTA: Will the Minister of LABOUR, EMPLOYMENT AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any decision to appoint two additional Industrial Tribunals, one each at Calcutta and Nagpur to cope with the pending cases; and

(b) if so, when will the Presiding Officers of the Tribunals be appointed?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR, EMPLOYMENT AND REHABILITATION (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): <a> There is a proposal under consideration to set up Tribunals at Calcutta and Jabalpur. There is no proposal to set up a Tribunal at Nagpur.

(b) The question of appointment of Presiding Officers will arise only when a decision to set up Tribunals is taken.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PH. D. SCHOLARS

200. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the University Grants Commission gives financial assistance to those scholar* who are doing research work in various universities for the degree of Ph. D. etc.;

(b) if so, what are the details of the scheme; and-

(c) what is the amount given *in* each University under the scheme during the last two years?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI M. C. CHAGLA): (a) Yes; Sir.

(b) Research Scholarships of the value of Rs. 200 per month, Junior Research Fellowships in science/humanities including social sciences of the value of Rs. 300-per month and Research Fellowships in Engineering and Technology of the value of Rs. 400 per month are awarded by the University Grants Commission to candidates who are doing research work in various Universities and Colleges for the degree of Ph. D.

Selection for the research scholarships is done by the Universities, while selection for the fellowships is done by the University Grants Commission itself.

(c) A statement is laid on *the* Table of the Sabha. [See Appendix LV, Annexure No. 19.]