

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN) : (a) 21 stenographers completed 10 years of service or more as on 1-12-65.

(b) One stenographer was selected by the Departmental Promotion Committee for promotion as Stenographer Grade I. He was promoted with effect from 2-1-63. (There is only one post of stenographer Grade I at the D.G.O.F. Headquarters.)

(c) Does not arise.

TRAINING IN CO-OPERATIVES IN ANAND

460. SHRI P. CHETIA : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any employee of the D.G.O.F. Calcutta has been deputed for training in co-operatives in Anand; and

(b) if so, the nature of advantage expected to be derived out of his training in co-operatives ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A. M. THOMAS) : (a) Yes.

(b) The employees sent for training deal with work connected with Industrial Co-operative Societies attached to Ordnance Factories. This training is, therefore, expected to be of advantage to the Organisation. No fees are charged by the Co-operative Union for this training.

PROMOTION OF GRADE II STENOGRAPHERS OF AHQ AND AFHQ

461. SHRI P. CHETIA : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) what are the promotional avenues open for the Grade II Stenographers in the Army and Air Force Headquarters of the Ministry of Defence; and

(b) what are the general conditions laid down for such promotions ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN) : (a) and (b) In the Armed Forces Headquarters (including Army and Air Force Headquarters) and Inter Service Organisations of the Ministry of Defence, Stenographers Grade II are eligible for promotion to the grade of Stenographer Grade I, which is a "selection" post. Promotions are made on the basis of merit, with due regard to seniority.

ISSUE OF MAGAZINES ETC. TO M.Ps.

462. SHRI JAIRAMDAS DAULATRAM : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state the names of the magazines, bulletins or newspapers, news-sheets issued by the Ministry of External Affairs or its Embassies in U.K., U.S.A., France, West Germany, Egypt, Turkey, Iran and Ghana which are sent to the members of each House of the Congress or Parliament or equivalent sovereign bodies of those countries ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SARDAR SWARAN SINGH) :

(i) A statement giving the names of magazines, bulletins, etc. produced for distribution by the Ministry of External Affairs and by the Indian Missions in U.K., U.S.A., France, West Germany, U.A.R., Turkey, Iran and Ghana is placed on the Table of the House. (See below Statement I.)

(ii) Another statement giving the names of Indian periodicals supplied to our Missions in these countries for distribution purposes is placed on the Table of the House in the form of Statement II. (See below.)

(iii) A statement giving the titles of pamphlets sent to Indian Missions abroad during the period 5-8-65 to 30-11-65 for distribution purposes is also placed on the Table of the House. (See below Statement III.)

Members of Parliament or Congress or equivalent sovereign bodies of foreign countries to which our Missions are accredited, are normally on the mailing list of our Missions for supply of publicity material.