†Counting of War Service for gratuity in civil posts

\*834. SHRI C. P. VARMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that in order to give all facilities to the War Service personnel at par with the civilians, Government have decided to count the full Army Service towards grant of gratuity at the time of retirement in the civil posts; and
- (b) if so, whether a copy of the orders will be laid on the Table of the House?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT): (a) Yes, Sir. War service followed by confirmation in a civil post counts for pension as well as gratuity.

(b) A copy of the relevant Rules and Orders is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix LID, Annexure No. 60].

AUTOMATIC ELECTRIC TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT VIJAY CHOWK

771. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to install automatic electric traffic signal at Vijay Chowk, New Delhi; and
- (b) if so, the details of the proposal and when the signal will be installed?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH (DR. SUSHILA NAYAR: (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

CARS PURCHASED FOR MINISTERS

772. SHRI D. THENGARI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

. (a) the number of the new cars purchased for the use of the Central Ministers since January, 1965; and

†Transferred from the 24th September, 1965.

(b) how many of those were imported?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI T. T. KRISHNAMACHARI):
(a) and (b) The information is being collected from the various Ministries/Deparements and will be laid on the Table as soon as it becomes available.

773. [Transferred to the 24th September, 1965]

FOREIGN EXCHANGE TO STUDENTS

774 SHRIMATI TARA
RAMCHANDRA SATHE:
SHRIMATI LALITHA
RAJAGOPALAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of students who went abroad on their own expenses for higher education during the years 1963-64, 1964-65 and so far during the current year; and
- (b) the amount of foreign exchange allotted to such students year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI T. T. KRISHNAMACHARI):
(a) The number of fresh student permits issued during 1963 and 1964 was 2833 and 3290 respectively. 376 fresh permits were issued during the 1st quarter of 1965. These figures exclude the repeat permits issued to students already studying abroad.

(b) The foreign exchange given to students mentioned at (a) above is as follows:

(Rs. lakhs)

1963 182

1964 263:5

1965 (Jan.—March) 28:4

FORWARDING OF APPLICATIONS FROM COST

ACCOUNTANTS

775. SHRI D. THENGARI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that applications of Cost Accountants working under the Finance Ministry are not forwarded for better jobs elsewhere in contravention of Home Ministry's rules in this respect; and