THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (DR. K. L. SHRIMALI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

INCLUSION OF UPPER/LOWER DIVISION ASSISTANTS UNDER CENTRAL SECRETARIAT SERVICE SCHEME

- *531. SHRI S. PANIGRAHI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to include the Upper Division and Lower Division Assistants of the Armed Forces Headquarters in the Central Secretariat Service Scheme; and
- (b) if so, what are the details of that proposal?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SARDAR S. S. MAJITHIA): (a) Yes, Sir, this is one of the proposals under consideration.

(b) Broadly, the intention is to evolve a new scheme under which the civilians of A. F. H. Q. can expect to have better prospects.

FEGIONAL REGIONAL COMMITTEES FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION

*304. SHRI DAHYABHAI V. PATEL: Will the Minister of SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) when the Regional Committees for Technical Education were constituted; and
- (b) whether Government have received any complaints against these Committees, particularly in regard to partiality shown in sanctioning grants, and additional seats in the intakes in engineering colleges?

MINISTER OF **SCIENTIFIC** RESEARCH AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS (SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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(a) Four Regional Committees were constituted by the All India Council for Technical Education on the dates

shown against each as given below: -

- (1) Eastern Regional Committee-10th April, 1952.
- (2) Western Regional Committee-13th October, 1952.
- (3) Southern Regional Committee-29th October, 1955.
- (4) Northern Regional Committee-16th February, 1956.
- (b) The Regional Committees not sanction any grants or take deci sions on the question of additional intakes in Engineering Colleges. When requests are received in this behalf, the Regional Committees appoint Visit ing Committees of experts and after taking into consideration the report of the Visiting Committees, make re commendation ; for these purposes to the All India Council for Technical Education. Either the Council or its Coordinating Committee considers the proposals made by the Regional Com mittees and makes final recommenda tions to Government on matters of grant and additional intakes. Sanctions are issued by Government on the basis of the recommendations received from the Council or its Coordinating Com mittee.

Only one complaint has till now been received against any Regional Committee.

HIGH-POWER COMMITTEE FOR FLOOD RELIEF IN DELHI

*372. SHRIMATI SAVITRY DEVI NIGAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state whether a high-power committee has been constituted for flood relief work in Delhi after the recent floods?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI GOVIND BALLABH PANT): Yes. A Committee consisting of-

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