

Grade I posts in the Central Secretariat Service purely on a tenure basis.

(c) The claims of the junior members of the Central Secretariat Service have been considered and will continue to be considered for Grade I posts. The needs of the Central Government both for Grade I posts and for posts outside the Cadre, are, however, so heavy that it is not possible for the Central Secretariat Service alone to meet them without diluting the standards unduly.

INDIAN SCHOOL OF MINES AND APPLIED GEOLOGY

*320. SHRI S. N. MAZUMDAR: Will the Minister for NATURAL RESOURCES AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme has been envisaged for the expansion of the Indian School of Mines and Applied Geology at Dhanbad; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the scheme?

THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH (MAULANA ABUL KALAM AZAD): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Details of the scheme are being worked out.

KUMBH MELA ALLOWANCE

*321. SHRI J. V. K. VALLABHARAO: Will the Minister for FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Kumbh Mela allowance was sanctioned for the Central Government employees stationed at Allahabad during the last Kumbh Mela;

(b) if so, what is the number of such employees and what are the departments to which they belonged; and

(c) what was the expenditure incurred on this account?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR FINANCE (SHRI M. C. SHAH): (a) Yes, Sir

(b) and (c). The allowance was sanctioned to the employees of the following departments:—

- (1) Railways
- (2) Posts and Telegraphs.
- (3) Customs and Central Excise.
- (4) Indian Audit and Accounts.

Information about the number of employees and the expenditure involved is not readily available.

PRIVILEGE TICKET ORDER CONCESSIONS TO GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

*329. MOULANA M. FARUQI: Will the Minister for HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state whether Government are considering the possibility of reviving the Privilege Ticket Order concessions to the non-Railway employees of the Government of India?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI B. N. DATAR): The question has been considered on a number of occasions, but it has not been found possible to revive the concession for reasons of economy.

SURVEY OF THE MINERAL RESOURCES IN JAMMU AND KASHMIR

*330. MOULANA M. FARUQI: Will the Minister for NATURAL RESOURCES AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH be pleased to state whether Government are considering any proposals to start a thorough survey of the mineral resources in the State of Jammu and Kashmir?

THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH (MAULANA ABUL KALAM AZAD): Yes, Sir.

INCREASE IN PENSIONS TO EX-EMPLOYEES OF TRAVANCORE-COCHIN

*332. SHRIMATI K. BHARATHI: Will the Minister for FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representations, from