

(c) the response of the Government thereto?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) No request has been received from the State Government of Kerala for expansion or addition of higher classes in Kendriya Vidyalayas. Since new Vidyalayas, whenever opened, would normally begin with primary classes, the addition of higher classes for upgrading the schools in subsequent years is a normal process according to the requirements of the area.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Centres in IIT, Delhi

2958. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether various centres were set up in the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi to carry out research work in their respective fields;

(b) whether these centres are being used as rehabilitation centres to accommodate teaching staff at the cost of research work; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) Yes, Sir. The various centres were set up in the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi to carry out research in frontier areas and areas of high national priority.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Railway Quarters in Vijayawada City

2959. SHRI SOBHANADREESWARA RAO VADDE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of residential railway quarters which are in a dilapidated condition in Vijayawada City;

(b) the steps proposed by the Government to replace these outdated quarters by multi-storeyed flats; and

(c) the time schedule fixed for construction of these multistoreyed flats?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) to (c) There are 66 dilapidated quarters at Vijayawada which have been got vacated by providing alternate accommodation to the occupants thereof. Replacement of old and substandard quarters is a continuous process which is undertaken on age-cum-condition basis, subject to availability of funds and relative priorities.

[*Translation*]

Assistance to Bihar

2960. SHRI PREM CHAND RAM: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds allocated by the Government for the projects pertaining to white revolution, horticulture, cattle breeding and fisheries in Bihar