in solving problems relating to computer processing of Indian languages;

(b) if so, the details of the schemes for involving Sanskrit scholars in Computer Oriented Language Projects on a continuing basis;

(c) the present share of budget for Sanskrit manpower vis-a-vis computer manpower;

(d) the details of various training programmes to introduce computers in Sanskrit education and research; and

(e) the names of the Sanskrit institutions identified for conducting computer training programmes at different levels?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PEN-SIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The Department of Electronics has funded projects under the Technology Development for Indian Languages (TDIL) Programme. The basic areas covered are:

- (i) Information processing system in Sanskrit:
- (ii) computer based semantic processing;
- (iii) Sanskrit Grammar; and
- (iv) preparation of course material. curriculum and guidelines for introduction of Sanskrit to linguistics and computer scientists;

The participating institutions are:

- (1) Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeth, New Delhi.
- (2) Rashtriva Sanskrit Vidyapeeth, Tirupati.
- (3) Gurukul Kangdi University, Haridwar.
- (4) Sampurnanand Sanskrit University, Varanasi.

(5) Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote.

The total budget approved at present under TDIL for the projects for Sanskrit and computer manpower development is about Rs. 43 lakhs. Since this relates to integrated projects involving Sanskrit and computer specialists, no individual breakup is available.

(e) Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeth, New Delhi is running certificate course for B.Ed. and M.Ed. students in the area of Computer Assisted Sanskrit Learning and Teaching.

Rebate Scheme for Coir Products

2060. SHRI T. J. ANJALOSE:

SHRIMATI SUSEELA GOPALAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have taken any steps to implement the rebate scheme for Coir Products in the Eighth Five Year Plan.

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether the Government propose to take any steps in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P. J. KURIEN): (a) to (c)Shri Ashim Chatterjee Committee appointed by the Government to go into the problems of the coir industry has suggested continuance of Rebate Scheme during VIII Five Year Plan. Suggestion made by the Committee are under consideration. However. financial year, during the current necessary provisions have been made for this Scheme.