

(c) the measures taken or proposed to be taken by the Central and State Governments to abolish it?

The Minister of State in the Department of Social Welfare (Shrimati Phulrenu Guha): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Central Harijan Welfare Board

1096. Shri Siddayya: Will the Minister of Social Welfare be pleased to state:

(a) whether the term of the Central Harijan Welfare Board has expired; and

(b) if so, whether it has been re-constituted?

The Minister of State in the Department of Social Welfare (Shrimati Phulrenu Guha): (a) The term of the Central Advisory Board for Harijan Welfare expired on the 31st March, 1967.

(b) The question of re-constituting the Board is under consideration.

Hostels for Scheduled Caste Girls

1097. Shri Siddayya: Will the Minister of Social Welfare be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allotted to each of the States and Union Territories for the construction of hostel buildings for girls belonging to the Scheduled Castes in the Third Five Year Plan period; and

(b) the amount spent and the number of hostels constructed by each of them during the above period?

The Minister of State in the Department of Social Welfare (Shrimati

Phulrenu Guha): (a) and (b). The required information is given below:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

Name of the State/Union Territory	Amount allotted	Amount spent (Actual/anticipated)	No. of hostel
1. Assam	0.54	0.54	2
2. Bihar	0.14	0.14	1
3. Gujarat	0.60	0.60	4
4. Kerala	0.20	0.10	1
5. Maharashtra	0.45	0.45	1
6. Orissa	0.15	0.15	1
7. Rajasthan	0.45	0.45	3
8. West Bengal	1.90	1.71	10
TOTAL	4.52	4.14	23

Inclusion of General Insurance in Public Sector

1098. Shri Dhirendranath; Shri Sidheshwar Prasad; Shri Hukam Chand Kachwal; Shri Ram Singh Ayarwal; Shri D. C. Sharma;

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for inclusion of General Insurance in the public sector; and

(b) if so, how much business is at present in the public sector?

The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai): (a) and (b). The General Insurance business in the Public Sector is being transacted by the Life Insurance Corporation of India and its two subsidiaries, viz., The Oriental Fire and General Insurance Company Limited and the Indian Guarantee and General Insurance Company Limited. The figures of the gross premium written direct and the net premium income written by these three insurers for the three classes of business viz.,