

ample. Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Gujarat, West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Meghalaya and Union Territories of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Goa, Daman and Diu and Delhi. Both Urdu teachers and books for teaching Urdu are also available in these schools.

(c) Government's policy is to promote all languages including Urdu.

(d) The Government have taken several steps to promote Urdu through such organisations as Taraqi-e-Urdu Board, National Book Trust, Sahitya Akademi. Assistance is also being rendered to the voluntary Urdu organisations. Urdu teachers are also being trained in Regional Training Centres established at Solan and Patiala by the Government of India.

Development of fishing harbour

1852. SHRI B. K. NAIR: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that the fishing harbours in the country are inadequate to meet the demands of the fishing industry in the country;

(b) if so, steps taken to develop the fishing harbours in the country;

(c) whether the world Bank assistance has been taken for it and if so, to what extent; and

(d) the projects in Kerala included to the World Bank assistances?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Sanctions have been issued for construction of fishing harbours at fifteen sites besides provision of landing and berthing facilities in about 70 fishing centres.

(c) The World Bank has approved the fishing harbours at Veraval and Mangrol at a total cost of Rs. 12.60 crores.

(d) While Neendakara fishing harbour will be considered under a National plan, the proposal for a fishing harbour at Vizhinjam is being referred to the World Bank.

Soil erosion caused by Ram Ganga river

1853. SHRI MAHI LAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government had conducted a survey for protecting Muradabad City from soil erosion caused by Ram Ganga river in Muradabad district in Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the progress achieved so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA): (a) and (b). The State Government has informed that a scheme costing Rs. 30 lakhs was prepared for protection of Muradabad town from erosion by the Ramganga River. This scheme was considered by the Chief Engineers Committee in its meeting held in April, 1974 who opined that because of the storage created by the construction of the dam on Ram Ganga River at Kalagarh, the flood intensity of the river at Muradabad was expected to be much reduced during flood season.

Hostels for working men and Women

1854. SHRI BALDEV SINGH JASROTHA: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) how many hostels are there in the country, State-wise for providing

residential accommodation to working men and women;

(b) if the reply be in the negative, is there any proposal for construction of such hostels this year; and

(c) if the reply be in the affirmative, whether there is any plan for providing funds or grants for the construction of more such hostels, State-wise, during the year 1977-78?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION (SHRI SIKANDAR BAKHT): (a) State-wise, the number of hostels in the general pool of accommodation for working men and women is as under:—

	Number of combined hostels for working men and women	Number of hostels exclusively for working women
Delhi (Delhi)	5	1
Bombay (Maharashtra)	1	Nil
Simla (Himachal Pradesh)	1	Nil
Calcutta (West Bengal)	1	Nil
TOTAL	8	1

(b) and (c). One hostel with 84 suites is under construction at Calcutta. During the current year, there is a proposal, not yet sanctioned, for the construction of one hostel with 72 suites in Bombay and one hostel with about 176 suites in New Delhi.

Chairman, I.I.T.

1855. DR. SUBRAMANIAM SWAMI: Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether he made a statement in Madras that he had asked an I.I.T. Chairman to resign;

(b) whether the Government have a *prima facie* case against this chairman;

(c) if so, the nature of the charges against the Chairman; and

(d) the name of the Chairman, or the I.I.T. of which he is Chairman?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (DR. FRATAP CHANDRA CHUNDER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). It would not be in the public interest to disclose information at this stage.

बेघर लोगों के लिये आवास की व्यवस्था करने सम्बन्धी योजना

1856. श्री हूकमदेव नारायण यादव : क्या निर्माण और आवास तथा पूर्ति और पुनर्वास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि देश में बेघर लोगों की संख्या कितनी है और क्या सरकार बेघर लोगों के लिये आवास की व्यवस्था करने हेतु किसी योजना पर विचार कर रही है ?

निर्माण और आवास तथा पूर्ति और पुनर्वास मंत्री (श्री सि.इन्दर बरत) : राष्ट्रीय भवन निर्माण संगठन द्वारा किये गये एक अनुमान के अनुसार, देश में पांचवीं योजना के शुरु में अर्थात् 1 अप्रैल, 1974 को 156 लाख मकानों की कमी थी—ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में 118 लाख तथा नगरीय क्षेत्रों में 38 लाख मकान ।