Polyitechnic Colleges in each State on Central grants during 7th Plan

- 5013. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there is a proposal to open Polytechnic colleges in each State during the Seventh Five Year Plan which will be run on cent per cent Central Grant and with the help of Technical Teachers Training Institute;
- (b) if so, in what way these polytechnic colleges will be different from those existing polytechnics;
- (c) the estimated amount proposed to be incurred on them during the year 1985-86; and
- (d) the names of the places where they will be set up?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) to (d) The Working Group set up by the Planning Commission for formulation of 7th Five Technical Education Year Plan on recommended the establishment of a Model Polytechnic in each State during the Plan period. These Polytechnic with full Central assistance and all possible support from Technical Teachers Training Institutes are expected to become centres of excellence and serve as models and pace setters for other polytechnics in the State. Rs. 80.00 crores has been proposed for the scheme for the Plan period. The scheme has, however, yet to be approved by the Planning Commission. The question of incurring any expenditure and selecting places for the location of such Polytechnics can arise only after the scheme has been approved.

Institutes for Technology and Rural Development in States

5014. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to open special Institutes for Appropriate Technology and Rural Development in each State during

the Seventh Five Year Plan peroid with a view to deseminate technical education in the rural areas suitable for conditions prevailing there:

- (b) If so, the estimated expenditure proposed to be incurred thereon, during 1985-86; and
- (c) if not, the steps proposed to be taken by his Ministry for the dissemination of technical knowledge in rural areas?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) to (c) The Working Group on Technical Education set up by the Planning Commission for formulation of 7th Five Year Plan recommended a scheme for establishment of special institutes, at least one in each region, of Rural/Appropriate Technology during the Plan period at a cost of Rs. 20.00 crores. The Planning Commission has allocated an amount of Rs. 50.00 lakhs for the scheme for the year 1985-86.

Introduction of morning Local Trains Between Lucknow and Barabanki

5015. SHRI KAMLA PRASAD RAWAT: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is no such train for the convenience of Lucknow-Barabanki commuters by which they may reach Lucknow or Barabanki at 10 in the morning to report for their duty;
- (b) if so, whether Government propose to run local trains at appropriate time in the morning from Barabanki to Lucknow and from Lucknow to Barabanki;
 - (c) if so, by what time; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

- (b) and (c) Does not arise.
- (d) Since convenient services are already available it is not considered necessary to introduce local trains.