

Uttar Pradesh request for increased power supply

5885. DR. CHANDRA SEKHAR TRIPATHI : Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Uttar Pradesh Government have requested the Union Government for increasing supply of electricity to the State;

(b) if so, whether Government have taken any decision on their request; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER (SHRI ARUN NEHRU) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The entire Northern Region is at present facing power shortage. It has, therefore, not been possible to arrange any assistance for Uttar Pradesh. However, U.P. has been drawing 70 to 75% of the total generation at Singrauli against its share of 35%.

Railway Quarters in Basti and Gonda Divisions

5886. DR. CHANDRA SEKHAR TRIPATHI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the number of railway quarters in Basti and Gonda Divisions of Eastern Railway ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : The number of Railway Quarters at Basti and Gonda Stations which are under the jurisdiction of North Eastern Railway is as under :

Basti	—132
Gonda	—1142

Besides, there are 222 Out-houses at Gonda.

[English]

Concessions tickets for daily commuters from Ernakulam to Trivandrum

5887. SHRI SURESH KURUP : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the maximum distance allowed for concession tickets for daily commuters in Indian Railways;

(b) whether Government would consider the demand of daily commuters travelling between Ernakulam and Trivandrum for direct concession ticket; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) to (c) The maximum distance limit allowed for issue of season tickets is now 150Kms., based on the recommendations of the Rail Tariff Enquiry Committee except for certain specified sections where season tickets have been allowed to be continued for historical reasons. Since the distance between Ernakulam and Trivandrum is 221Kms., it is not possible to accede to the demand in question.

Grants to different Universities by UGC

5888. SHRI SOMNATH RATH : Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) the amount sanction to different Universities by University Grants Commission in 1984-85;

(b) the amount sought by Berhampur University in 1985-86; and

(c) the amount of University Grants Commission grants allocated to that University during the current financial year ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) A Statement showing the development grants paid by the UGC to various universities in 1984-85 is attached,