

Amount collected for Indira Gandhi National Centre of Arts and Culture .

4697. SHRI KEYUR BHUSHAN : Will the MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the amount so far collected from the people for Indira Gandhi National Centre of Arts and Culture at Delhi ; and

(b) the steps being taken to raise sufficient funds from the people as in the case of Gandhi Memorial Fund instead of accepting funds from foreign agency ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) No money has been collected from the people for Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts (IGNCA).

(b) No steps have been taken to raise funds from the people for the IGNCA project. However, the Ford Foundation has recently made an offer of grant of \$ 350,000 to the Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts through the Department of Economic Affairs.

Programme Re : Exchange of Artists, Dancers, Musicians with various Countries

4698. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether any programme for the exchange of artists, dancers, musicians etc. under the cultural exchange programmes with the various countries has been undertaken during the Sixth and Seventh Plans ; and

(b) if so, the details of the groups alongwith dates on which they were spon-

sored for visiting various countries as also the names of the foreign countries from where groups/troupes visited India during this period ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI P.V. NARASIMHA RAO) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Number of Travelling Passengers and Income in South—Central Railway

4699. SHRI S. PALAKONDRAYUDU : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of commuters/passengers travelling daily in trains in South Central Railway ; and

(b) the income of the South Central Railway during 1985-86 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) On an average, about 4 lakh passengers a day.

(b) Earnings from passengers amounted to Rs. 161.82 crores, total gross earnings being Rs. 646.47 crores.

Kendriya Vidyalayas Outside the Country

4700. SHRI AMARSINH RATHAWA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a certain number of Kendriya Vidyalayas are functioning in other countries also, if so, their number and locations ; and