

(a) whether there is a shortage of residential accommodation for married Defence Service officers and other ranks in Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of private hired accommodation for married officers and others; and

(d) the measures contemplated to solve the problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Shortage is as under:—

(i) Officers	— 2254 Units
(ii) JCO/ORs	— 5647 Units

(c) No. of houses hired are as under—

(i) Officers	— 1725 Units
(ii) JCO/ORs	— 856 Units

(d) Efforts are made to hire private houses. Service officers are permitted to live in private houses on rent reimbursement basis. JCOs/ORs are given CILQ (compensation in lieu of quarters). New construction is planned subject to availability of funds.

[*Translation*]

Regional Offices of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan

8543. SHRI SANTOSH KUMARGANGWAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to open some regional offices of Kendriya

Vidyalaya Sangathan in North India;

(b) if so, the proposed location thereof;

(c) whether some proposals to open a regional office in Bareilly (Uttar Pradesh) have been received from local representatives; and

(d) if so, when such an office is likely to be opened there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir, a proposal has been under examination for opening a Regional Office in Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) No decision has been taken on opening new regional offices.

Opening of Engineering College in Meerut

8544. SHRI HARISH PAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal to open a college of Engineering and Technology in Meerut is under consideration of Union Government; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The State Government was requested to confirm the availability of funds for the proposed college. It is understood that the matter is under consideration of the State Government. The proposal will be examined further by the Union Government on receipt of confirmation from the Govt. of U.P.