(c) The details of funds provided to U.P., Bihar and West Bengal during the

Seventh Plan are as follows:

		Allocation (Rs. in crores)	
	U.P.	Bihar	West Bengal
Central Plan	254.06	173.53	163.10
State Plan	195.27	61.65	59.54

Operation Black Board in Bihar

8577. SHRI DHARMESH PRASAD VARMA: SHRI DASAI CHOWDHARY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of primary schools opened in East and West Champaran districts of Bihar under Operation Black Board;
- (b) the number of such schools running without buildings in Bihar;
- (c) whether Government propose to provide buildings and teachers for such schools: and
- (d) the Number of Blocks to be covered in the State under the scheme during 1990-91?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DE-VELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) to (c). Operation Blackboard is a scheme for providing existing primary schools with minimum essential facilities comprising: i) an additional teacher, preferably a woman, in single teacher schools: (ii) two reasonably large all weather rooms, with a deep verandah, alongwith separate toilet facilities for boys and girls; and (iii) essential teaching earning material including black-

boards, mats, charts, small library, toys, games equipment, etc. According to the latest available information, there were 9163 schools without buildings in Bihar in 1986.

(d) The State Government has prepared a project proposal to cover 90 blocks under the scheme during 1990-91.

[Translation]

Teaching of Sanskrit in Navodaya Vidyalayas and Kendriya Vidyalayas

8578. KUMARI UMA BHARATI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Sanskrit has been included in the syllabus in all the schools throughout the country:
- (b) if so, whether Sanskrit has been included in the curriculum of Navodaya Vidyalayas also;
- (c) whether there are any arrangements for teaching Sanskrit in Kendriya Vidyalayas at Xth standard and thereafter XI th and XII th standards also; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DE-VELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) School Education is primarily