- (b) number of States which have applied for starting universities for cultural studies:
- (c) number of cultural organisations which have applied for "deemed university' status; and
- (d) whether any of them has been granted the status of deemed university by University Grants Commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) No such proposal is under consideration at present.

(b) None.

(c) and (d) Proposals for declaring Kalakshe'ra, Madras; Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies, Varanasi; Indological Research Institute and Shri Sharadapeeth Arts and College of Education, Dwarka; and the Asiatic Society, Calcutta; as institutions deemed-to-be-universities under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 are in the process of examination.

Hubli-Karawar Rail Line

2598. SHRI D.K. NAIKAR: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that an official team was appointed to conduct re-appraisal survey in respect of Hubli-Karawar rail line; and
- (b) if so, whether the survey has since been completed and what action is proposed to be taken by Government on the recommendations of the official team?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The survey is still in progress. Furtheraction will be taken after receipt and examination of the report, subject to availability of resources.

Evaporation Loses of Stored Water

2599. SHRI HUSSAIN DALWAI: Will the minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government of India that on account of scorching heat of the sun available in India, many irrigation projects suffer bulk evaporation losses during summer:
- (b) what effective measures are contemplated to be taken in hand to save these enormous evaporation losses of stored water; and
- (c) whether the open to sky canals of irrigation projects could be replaced by pipeline canals for saying of water from evaporation losses?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) In order to save the enormous evaporation losses, storages are so operated that they are drawn down to a low level during the summer. Further, research studies have also been carried out on the use of chemicals spread over the reservoir surface to reduce the evaporation losses but these are yet to become operational.
- (c) In view of the long lengths involved and their relative high cost, replacement of open canals by pipelines is not considered economical.

Setting up of Cultural Centres

2600. SHRI A.S. GOUNDER: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOP MENT be pleased to state the names of places where Cultural Centres are proposed to be set up during the Seventh Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): The places where seven Cultural Centres are being set up during Seventh Plan are Patiala (North Zone), Santiniketan (Bast Zone), Thanjavur (South Zone).

Udaipur (West Zone), Allahabad (North Central Zone), Dimapur (North East Zone) and Nagpur (South Central Zone).

Seventh World Congress of Sexology in Delhi

2601. DR. V. VENKATESH: Wil' the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Seventh World Congress of Sexology was held in Delhi in November, 1985;
- (b) what were the main subjects discussed at the Congress;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the Congress deliberations were held in camera and Press was refused entry;
- (d) whether it is also a fact that a number of foreigners were invited to participate and address the Congress; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) The main subjects for discussion were: Sex Education, Sexuality in health and illness, Emergent dimension of sexology, Scope of introduction of sex education in Medical Colleges and Contribution of Sexology to Family Planning.
- (c) to (e) The President of Congress has informed that the Congress was attended by about 700 delegates out of which 50% were foreigners. Delegates were from different specialities like Cardiology, Urology, Gynaecology, Medicine, Law, Education, Journalism, etc. The plenary session was open to all. There were other sessions/workshops, where discussions were limited to delegates only. A workshop was also held on the last day of the Conference for the members of the press which were attended by about 70 people.

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Research work in Science Policy Centre of Jawahar Lal Nehru University

2602. SHRI RAJ KUMAR RAI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the fact that about one lakh rupees are being spent annually on each student of the Policy Centre of Jawaharlal Nehru University and no important research work has been done there so far in this field; and
- (b) the concrete steps being taken by Government to check wasterul expenditure and to ensure that research work is conducted there smoothly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROH-ATGI): (a) and (b) It was felt that the Centre for Studies in Science Policy had ceased to be a viable acadmic unit. The Executive Council, therefore, decided in February, 1980 that the Centre, as an administrative structure, be suspended until such time as the need for reviving it man ifests itself. However, the students who had been registered carlier had continued their research for M. Phil/Ph.D Degrees. It has been decided by the University to revive the academic programmes of the Centre in phases and to strengthen them. The University is taking steps to fill faculty positions so that admission to M. Phil/ Ph.D. programmes could take place.

Giridib-Ranchi B.G. Rail Line

2603. SHRI SIDHA LAL MURMU: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state whether Government propose to make provision of the requisite funds for laying of the broad gauge railway line between Giridih and Ranchi via Kodarma and Hazaribagh town in the Seventh Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): Survey for a