

- inputs. The programmes will be linked with skill development and economic activities, health related issues, recreational and cultural activities. Attractive learning/teaching material will be provided. Dedicated and well trained instructors will be deployed. Improved learning atmosphere and good arrangements for continuing education will be ensured.
- (ii) Systematic efforts will be made to secure people's participation through media and communication, creation of local level participatory structures, taking out of Jathas, training of cadres of youth etc.
- (iii) Involvement of voluntary agencies for spread of the programme, for training and technical resource development, experimentation and innovation etc. will be significantly increased. Diverse methods will be employed for identification of suitable agencies and procedures of financial assistance will be streamlined.
- (iv) Existing programmes will be continued but their quality improved by application of proven Science & Technology inputs, better supervision, suitable training, pedagogical innovations, etc.
- (v) Mass programme of functional literacy will be launched with the help of youth, teachers, housewives employers, workers, etc.
- (vi) Post-literacy and continuing education will be institutionalised through establishment of Jan Shikshan Nilayams. Better use will be made of existing institutional facilities to enlarge the scope of adult education.
- (vii) The structure of technical resource development at the national, state as well as district levels will ensure that material of good quality become widely available.
- (viii) Technology demonstration will be undertaken in 40 districts for development, transfer and application of techno-pedagogic inputs. The results will be evaluated for application beyond 40 districts.
- (ix) An effective Mission Management System will be established.
- (x) A computerised management information system will be instituted to ensure reliable and steady flow of information needed for improvement in management at all levels.
- (d) According to 1981 census, the literacy rate in India was 36.23 per cent for all age groups. For age group of 15-35 data about literacy was not specifically compiled. However, on projections made it is estimated that literacy in the age-group of 15-35 is about 50 per cent and the highest literacy rate is in Kerala.

Class IV employees of Nehru Yuvak Kendras

972. SHRI SURESH KURUP : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether about 500 Class IV employees of Nehru Yuvak Kendras in the country are likely to lose their jobs;

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken or taken by Government to protect their service or to provide them with alternative jobs; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and what would be the fate of these employees ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA) :

(a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

[Translation]

Conversion of Moradabad-Ramnagar Railway line

973. SHRI HARISH RAWAT : Will

the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any date has been fixed to complete the gauge conversion work on the remaining part of Moradabad-Ramnagar Railway line; and

(b) if so, the time by which the work on the remaining part will be completed and the amount of expenditure proposed to be incurred for the purpose during this year ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) and (b). The work is planned to be completed by the end of June, 1988. Rs. 1.56 crores have been provided for expenditure during 1987-88.

Winsor forest

974. SHRI HARISH RAWAT : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received a proposal from Uttar Pradesh Government for declaring Winsor forest area in Almorah as sanctuary; and

(b) if so, whether views of the local administration of this area have been sought in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI) : (a) No Sir. Under the provisious of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 the State Government is empowered to declare and establish a Sanctuary.

(b) Does not arise.

[English]

Hostel for Safdarjung Hospital Nurses

975. CHOWDHRY AKHTAR HASAN : SHRI KAMLA PRASAD SINGH :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the hostel for nurses in the Safdarjung Hospital is lying vacant and if so, since when; and

(b) the reason therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDEJ) : (a) and (b) The newly constructed building meant as Hostel for Nurses is still to be handed over to the Safdarjung Hospital by the CPWD for want of 'No Objection', Certificate from the N.D.M.C.

[Translation]

Employment to persons trained by D.T.C.

976. CHOWDHRY AKHTAR HASAN : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of persons imparted training by the Delhi Transport Corporation every year;

(b) the number of those persons who after having been trained by the D.T.C. have not been provided any employment so far;

(c) whether there is any proposal to provide employment to such persons; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) to (d). During the last 3 years, D.T.C imparted training to 551 persons prior to appointment as Conductors and Drivers. Out of these, 1817 persons trained for appointment as Conductors are awaiting appointment. They will be considered for appointment as soon as vacancies occur.

[English]

Metro Railways

977. SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :