

(c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L.P. SHAHI): (a) to (c). The Central Government does not provide funds to the State Governments for promotion of art and culture. However, the Central Government and its agencies promote art and culture through its national and regional programmes.

Retirement Age of School Teachers

1484. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the States and Union Territories where the age of retirement for school teachers has been raised to 60 years;

(b) whether any steps are proposed to be taken to persuade the other States to raise the upper age limit so as to ensure a uniform age of retirement for all school teachers in the country; and

(c) if so, the likely date by which it is proposed to be done?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L.P. SHAHI): (a) Excepting Chandigarh Administration where the retirement age of school teachers is 58, in all other Union Territories the same is 60. In respect of States, the said information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Community Polytechnics in Minority Concentration Areas

1485. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of trainees who have passed out of the 10 community polytechnics in minority concentration districts during the last three academic years;

(b) the number among them who belong to minority communities in these districts, institution-wise;

(c) the number of students coached under the University Grants Commission scheme of coaching classes for competitive examinations, during the last three years, institution-wise; and

(d) the number among them who belong to minority communities in that district, institution-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L.P. SHAHI): (a) to (d). The information is being collected from the institutions concerned.

Profit and Loss of State Road Transport Corporations

1486. SHRI GADADHAR SAHA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of buses under the different State Road Transport Corporations as on 31st December, 1987;

(b) the profit and loss of such Corporations during 1986-87 and 1987-88, year-wise and Corporation-wise;