

CIT Teacher Training

6147. SHRI EBRAHIM SULEMAN SAIT: Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the trainees of I.T.I. for workmen, Curzon Road, New Delhi who had passed the cutting and tailoring course are not permitted to join the next year course of Teacher's Training course but are permitted to join the same course after the lapse of one year;

(b) whether this results in the waste of one precious year of education; and

(c) if so, the reasons for not permitting them to join immediately the next course of C.I.T. Teacher's Training?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND LABOUR (SHRI RAVINDRA VARMA): (a) The trainees who pass the Cutting and Tailoring course of the Industrial Training Institute, Curzon Road, New Delhi, are required to acquire practical experience for some time before they are eligible for admission to the Teachers' Training course in the Central Training Institute for Women Instructors.

(b) The time spent in acquiring practical experience therefore should not be considered a waste.

(c) Does not arise.

Provision of Telecommunication facilities in 1977-78

6148. SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of towns in the country where the Communication Ministry propose to provide telecommunication facilities; and

(b) whether Ahmednagar and Shizampur in Maharashtra are included in the scheme to be implemented in 1977-78?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BRIJ LAL VERMA): (a) and (b). During 1977-78, it is proposed to provide new long distance public call offices at 2000 places and new telegraph offices at 2300 places in the country. Telecommunication facilities are already available in Ahmednagar and Shirampur (not Shizampur) in Maharashtra.

Instant registration booking system

6149. SHRI PRASANNBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the novel system of instant registration booking has been introduced in Ahmedabad;

(b) if so, what are the main points of the novel system introduced; and

(c) whether this system will be introduced in other States also?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BRIJ LAL VERMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Under the scheme, a special Letter Box has been installed in Ahmedabad G.P.O. wherein members of the public, who intend to despatch registered letters can post such letters in this special Letter Box, instead of presenting at the counter. The Letter Box is cleared at convenient intervals and the registered articles are duly booked. The receipt is retained in the post office. This enables the senders of registered letters, who do not want a receipt, not to wait at the counter.

(c) The system of instant registration booking is being tried as an experimental measure initially in seven Postal Circles namely, Andhra Pradesh, Delhi, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal.