

**Music Teachers Grades in N.D.M.C.**

**1051. SHRI ANANT DAVE:** Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the music teachers grade has been divided into three grades on the recommendation of Third Pay Commission and has been implemented by Delhi Administration;

(b) if so, whether such grades have not been implemented in the case of music teachers employed by Education Department of N.D.M.C.;

(c) what are the reasons for not implementing the grades by N.D.M.C. and number of music teachers so affected; and

(d) what action has been taken by NDMC authority in consultation with Delhi Administration on the representation made by the affected teachers to mitigate their hardship?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI RENUKA DEVI BARAKATAKI):** (a) and (b). According to the information, furnished by the Delhi Administration and the New Delhi Municipal Committee, the three grades recommended by the Third Pay Commission and approved by the Government of India in respect of Music Teachers have since been implemented in the Directorate of Education, Delhi and the New Delhi Municipal Committee.

However, the pay scale of Music teachers (Grade IV) was under consideration of the Government and it has now been decided to give them the pay scale of primary school teachers.

(c) Does not arise in view of (a) and (b) above.

(d) No such representation has been received by the New Delhi Municipal Committee so far.

**Unsold stock with National Book Trust**

**1052. SHRI OM PRAKASH TYAGI:** Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Book Trust had so far published books of the value of Rs. 2 crores of which half had remained unsold;

(b) whether regard had been kept for bringing down the print order to a realistic level after making a market survey;

(c) what action has been taken against the officials responsible for the lapse of unsold stocks; and

(d) the steps which have been taken for avoiding such like losses in future?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI RENUKA DEVI BARAKATAKI):** (a) The trust has published upto 31-3-1978 books of the value of about Rs. 2.28 crores. As on 31-3-1978 only books representing 33.6 per cent of the total value of books produced remain unsold.

(b) No specific market studies have been undertaken so far. However, the print run is determined with due regard to the price and based on a broad assessment of the likely response from the reading public.

(c) The unsold stock of the titles published by the Trust is not due to any lapse on the part of any particular officer. The Trust generally takes up books which serve a social purpose although they are not always commercially attractive. The books are intended to supplement the knowledge of readers who did not have the advantage of higher education. They thus have information and educational value but they are not normally as quick selling for example as novels or books on subjects of topical interests.