

(c) whether road accidents are on the increase in Delhi and New Delhi?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar):

(a) 1956 — 2621
1957 (1-1-57 to 30-6-57) — 819

(b) 1956 — 114
1957 (1-1-57 to 30-6-57) — 63

(c) No. There has been a considerable decrease in road accidents during the first half of 1957.

Travelling Allowances of Ministers

741. Shrimati Parvathi Krishnan: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount drawn by each Minister towards travelling allowance and any other allowances in 1955-56;

(b) whether any measures have been taken to reduce the expenses in view of the economy measures taken by Government; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar):

(a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of Lok Sabha as soon as possible.

Utkal University Building

742. Shri Sanganna: Will the Minister of Education and Scientific Research be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Orissa have approached the Union Government for financial assistance required for the construction of the Utkal University building;

(b) if so, what is the amount applied for; and

(c) the amount sanctioned?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In July, 1955, the Government of Orissa forwarded to the University Grants Commission for consideration a scheme for construction of buildings of the Utkal University under the First Five Year Plan and the Second Five Year Plan amounting to Rs. 13,58,000 and Rs. 23,31,000 respectively.

(c) The University Grants Commission have already sanctioned a grant of Rs. 3.5 lakhs for the construction of laboratory buildings.

Improvement of Libraries, Laboratories and Salaries of University Teachers in Orissa

743. Shri Sanganna: Will the Minister of Education and Scientific Research be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Orissa have applied for any financial assistance for the improvement of libraries, laboratories and the raising of salaries of the university teachers during the Second Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the amount applied under each category; and

(c) the amount sanctioned?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) Yes, Sir; except in respect of the salaries of University teachers.

(b) and (c). A statement giving the requisite information is laid on the Table. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 46].

Multi-purpose Schools in Orissa

744. Shri Sanganna: Will the Minister of Education and Scientific Research be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Orissa have applied for grants for the conversion of Higher Secondary Schools into Multi-purpose Schools during the first year of the Second Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the amount applied for;