

(c) The Government has invited comments from the IIMs for further processing the recommendations.

Reduction in grant to Kerala University

724. SHRI E. BALANANDAN: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) year-wise allotment of amount to Kerala University for the last 3 years; and

(b) the reasons why the grant to Kerala University has been reduced when the number of students there has increased this year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRIMATI SEILA KAUL): (a) and (b). The University Grant Commission does not sanction grants to Kerala University on the basis of year-wise allotment. Grants are sanctioned by the Commission for implementation of the development programmes submitted by the University and approved by the Commission. During the last three years beginning with 1979-80, the University was sanctioned grants amounting to Rs. 39.15 lakhs, 35.35 lakhs and 50.09 lakhs respectively. There has been no reduction in the payment of grants for approved programmes.

Alleged Directions by Delhi Municipal Corporation to Doctors not to Declare Malaria Cases

725. SHRI SUSHIL BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi Municipal Corporation directed the doctors and dispensaries not to declare malaria cases even if the blood tests confirm the presence of the disease; and

(b) if so, what steps the Ministry has taken to locate much gross irres-

ponsibility and to prevent its recurrence?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Hindi Correspondence Course

726. PROF. RUPCHAND PAL: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Hindi lessons are given in different languages in the Hindi Correspondence Course of Central Hindi Directorate; and

(b) if so, the names of such regional languages?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Tamil, Malayalam, Bengali and English.

Budge-Budge Namkhana Project

727. SHRI NIREN GHOSH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) when will the sanctioned Budge-Budge Namkhana Project begin to be constructed; and

(b) the reasons for the delay?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b). The planning Commission have been approached for giving formal clearance to this project, and the same is awaited. Action will be taken as soon as the clearance is received from the Planning Commission.