

Opening of Railway Division at Chandigarh/Ambala

5051. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have decided to open new railway Division either at Chandigarh or Ambala ;

(b) if so, the likely date by which it would be opened ; and

(c) if not, the likely date by which a decision would be taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHAUDHURY) :

(a) Yes. The Government have decided to set up a Divisional Headquarter at Ambala.

(b) Due to paucity of funds and difficulties/delay in getting suitable land, no likely date for opening of Ambala Division can be indicated.

(c) Does not arise.

Central Schools in University Campuses

5052. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND CULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any universities have demanded the opening of Central Schools at their campuses in view of the multilingual and multi-regional number of the staff employed by them ;

(b) if so, the names thereof and the likely date by which the schools would be sanctioned at their campuses ; and

(c) whether Government would take a decision to provide at least one Central School at each university campus as a matter of policy ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI P.K. THUNGO) : (a) and (b). During the last one year, requests for opening new Kendriya Vidyalayas (Central Schools) were received from the Universities of Kanpur, Rajasthan and Maharishi Dayanand (Rohtak). All of them have been advised to sponsor proposals in the prescribed manner. As and when formal proposals, complete in all respects, are received from them, these will be examined on merit along with other similar proposals.

(c) No such proposal is under consideration.

Sahitya Academy Recognition to Modern Indian Literary Languages

5053. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND CULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Sahitya Academy, New Delhi has framed any guideline for the recognition to modern Indian literary languages ;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the names of languages which come for recognition are pending before the Academy ; and

(c) the likely date by which recognition would be given to them and the reasons for delay ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRIMATI SHEILA KAUL) : (a) Yes, Sir.