Unstarred Question No. 3441 on the 18th April, 1961 and state:

- (a) whether details in regard to setting up of an urban basic school in Delhi have been worked out; and
 - (b) if so, what they are?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) and (b). The scheme for the setting up of an urban basic school in Delhi has not yet been finalised. The Delhi Administration however, propose to set up a school with classes I to V in the first instance and will provide for the teaching of the following crafts:

- Wood work, paper and card board work.
- (2) Leather work
- (3) Clay work
- (4) Paper Machie
- (5) Gardening

The school is proposed to be raised to a higher secondary standard in due course of time.

Borax Deposits

3626. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: Shri Chuni Lal:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1581 on the 18th April, 1961 and state:

- (a) whether Government have considered proposal for proper exploitation of Borax deposits found in Ladakh and Jammu and Kashmir; and
 - (b) if so, the result thereof?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh): (a) and (b). The question of proper exploitation of borax deposit of Ladakh is engaging the attention of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Air Base at Chandigarh

3627. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: Shri Chuni Lal: Shri D. C. Sharma: Shri Ajit Singh Sarhadi:

Will the Minister of **Defence** be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 3451 on the 18th April, 1961 and state further progress made in setting up air base at Chandigarh?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Sardar Majithia): Chandigarh is now functioning as a regular Air Force Station. Action to provide the necessary works services is progressing.

Propagation of Hindi in Maharashtra

3628. Shri Pangarkar: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

- (a) the nature of help given by the Central Government to Maharashtra State for propagation of Hindi in the State during the year 1960-61; and
- (b) how much amount has been allotted for the purpose during the Third Five Year Plan period?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) During 1960-61 the following grants were sanctioned:

- (i) Rs. 45,804 for appointment of Hindi teachers in High and Higher Secondary schools in the State; and
 - (ii) Rs. 36,480 for starting four Hindi Teachers' Training Centres.

In addition, Central assistance was also given for the scheme "Propagation of Hindi", which was included in the State sector. The exact amount is not known as, according to the procedure in vogue, schemewise break-up is not worked out.