

**Opening of New Branches for Expansion of Credit Facilities to Farmers in West Bengal**

6445. SHRI GADADHAR SAHA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether new Branches of Nationalised Banks are being opened to expand the credit facilities to the small farmers and to include a wide area in the District of West Bengal ;

(b) if so, whether the small farmers are allowed and encouraged to be included in Co-operative Credit Societies to have the credit facility from the banks through the Co-operative Society in the District of Birbhum ; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YFESHWANTRAO CHAVAN) : (a) to (c). Information is being collected and will be laid on Table of the House.

**Grants to High and Higher Secondary Schools in West Bengal for Construction of Hostels for S.C. and S.T. Students**

6466. SHRI GADADHAR SAHA : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any grant was given to High and Higher Secondary Schools in West Bengal out of the welfare fund for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for construction of hostels for Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe students during the Third Five Year Plan ;

(b) if so, the names of the recipient schools ; and

(c) the amount received by them ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI K. S. RAMASWAMY) : (a) to (c). During the Third Five Year Plan period, a sum of Rs. 6.87 lakhs was spent by the West Bengal Government towards construction of hostels under State Plan schemes for the students belonging to Scheduled Tribes. The money was spent on 45 hostels. The expenditure was shared between Central and State Government in the ratio of 75 : 25. There

was no programme for Scheduled Caste students.

Since the implementing authority is the State Government the information in respect of the recipient schools is not available.

**Post-Graduate Departments of Sanskrit in Universities**

6447. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are Post-Graduate Departments of Sanskrit in all the Universities of India ; and

(b) if not, the number and names of the Universities which do not have such departments ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI D. P. YADAVA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) A statement is enclosed.

**STATEMENT**

(i) *Statutory Universities :*

1. Agra University
2. Andhra Pradesh Agricultural University
3. Assam Agricultural University
4. Awadh Pratap Singh University
5. Berhampur University
6. Bhagalpur University
7. Bhopal University
8. Calicut University
9. Dibrugarh University
10. Gujarat Ayurveda University
11. Guru Nanak University
12. Haryana Agricultural University
13. Himachal Pradesh University
14. Indira Kala Sangeet Vishwavidyalaya
15. Indore University
16. Jabalpur University
17. Jawahar Lal Nehru University