

**Payment of Salaries to Teachers of
aided Schools in Delhi**

7709. SHRI V. NARASIMHA RAO : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that 1,500 teachers of the various aided-schools in Delhi have not received their salaries for the last three months ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the teachers of the aided-schools are forced to pay 5 to 15 per cent of their pay as donations to their schools before they get their pay ;

(c) whether there is a wide difference between the salaries, pensions, gratuity, medical benefits, housing etc. of teachers of the aided-schools and those of their counterparts in Government schools ; and

(d) the action Government propose to take to redress the grievances of the teachers of the aided-schools ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (SHRI BHAKT DARSHAN) : (a) to (d). The requisite information is being collected and will be placed on the table of the Sabha in due course.

Deciphering of Indus Valley Script

7710. SHRI D. N. PATODIA : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the script of the Indus Valley has been deciphered by the Director of Oriental Research Institute, Jodhpur ;

(b) if so, whether the achievement not only throws a new light about the Indian civilisation that existed in the Indus Valley but it has unsettled many theories of historians regarding Arya and the Dravidian culture ; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (SHRIMATI JAHANARA JAIPAL SINGH) : (a) The Director of the Oriental Research Institute,

Jodhpur, claims to have deciphered the script of the Indus Valley.

(b) The method of decipherment employed and the conclusions reached have not been accepted by most of the scholars on Indian History, archaeology and linguistics and therefore, it is not possible at this stage to regard his views and readings or interpretations thereof as final.

(c) Does not arise.

Promotion of Education in Rajasthan

7711. SHRI D. N. PATODIA : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state :

(a) whether during the Third Five Year Plan the percentage of literacy in the State of Rajasthan had grown as per the targets laid down ;

(b) if not, whether the Central Government propose to increase the quantum of assistance for the State for the promotion of education in that State ; and

(c) what were the achievements in the spheres of technical and non-technical education in that State with Central assistance during this period ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (DR. V.K.R.V. RAO) : (a) Although no definite targets had been laid down for Rajasthan or for any other State, the percentage of literacy in Rajasthan increased from 8.9 in 1951 to 15.2 in 1961 and is estimated to have further risen to 24 in 1966-67.

(b) The question does not arise.

(c) The progress of education in Rajasthan is illustrated by the enrolment figures in various branches of education for 1960-61 (last year of 2nd Plan) and 1965-66 (last year of the 3rd Plan) as given below :-

	1960-61	1965-66 (Provisional) (Enrolment)
<i>General Education</i>		
Primary	11,14,502	16,18,364
Middle	2,07,070	3,29,910
High/Higher Secondary	76,904	1,39,156