

aries etc. have been fully involved in making the literacy campaign a success.

(b) The Bharat Gyan Vigyan Samiti, a registered society, has been given assistance for organising country-wide jathas to create an awareness of and demand for literacy and build up a people's machinery to deliver literacy. The Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan, an autonomous body established by the Central Government, is given assistance to run adult education centres through the youth clubs and non-student youth. No assistance has been given to the All India Students Union.

(c) and (d). As far as possible literacy instruction is imparted in the spoken language.

Export of Coir

*156. SHRI RAJVEER SINGH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of coir exported during the last three years; and

(b) the details of the steps taken to increase the export of coir?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES AND MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI HUKMUDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) The exports of Coir and Coir products during the last three years have been as follows:—

<i>Year</i>	<i>Qty. (M.T.)</i>	<i>Value (Rs. in Crores)</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>
1987-88	25147	32.20
1988-89	24979	33.32
1989-90	27458	40.18

(b) The various steps taken to boost coir exports from India include sending trade delegations, conducting market studies and market research, releasing advertisements in foreign trade magazines and distribution of publicity materials, participation in fairs in major markets, quality improvement and grant of export incentives etc.

[English]

Uniform Pay Scales for University Employees

*157. SHRI BHABANI SHANKAR HOTA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RE-

SOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are considering the representation made by the All India University Employees' Confederation for providing uniform pay scales and service conditions for non-teaching employees of Central Universities, for representation of non-teaching employees in the University bodies like Senate and Syndicate and for providing adequate housing facilities in the respective university campuses; and

(b) whether the Government propose to set up a committee to look into the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIRAJMANGAL PANDE): (a) The pay scales of non-teaching employees in Central Universities are, by and large, at par with the pay scales of the corresponding employees of the Central Government. The Acts of a few Central Universities also provide for representation of non teaching employees on the Courts of the Universities. University Grants Commission provides financial assistance for housing of non-teaching employees.

(b) No, Sir.

Aids Patients

*158. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA:
DR. VENKATESH KABDE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have conducted survey, on all India basis to detect the AIDS patients;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government propose to conduct such a survey in the near future; if so, when and the details of such programme;

(e) the specific measures taken/being taken for detection and proper treatment of the AIDS patients;

(f) whether the Government propose to hold regular seminars or take special publicity measures on mass-media to create awareness among the general masses about this dangerous disease; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (RAO BIRENDERSINGH):(a) to (g). Clinical surveillance for AIDS was started in October, 1985. The first patient of AIDS was detected in May, 1987. As of 1st February, 1991, 60 cases of AIDS have been reported. The number of AIDS cases State-wise is as under:-

Sl. No.	State/U.T.	No. of AIDS cases
1	2	3
1.	Maharashtra	24
2.	Punjab	8
3.	Manipur	4
4.	Assam	1
5.	Tamil Nadu	8
6.	Kerala	2
7.	Rajasthan	1
8.	West Bengal	1
9.	Andhra Pradesh	1