

nology and Computer Training, Work Experience, Art, Crafts and Music, and Administration.

- (ii) A hostel with a capacity of about 200 persons.

3. *Equipment:*

- (i) Adequate books, journals and ancillary equipment for the library.
- (ii) Equipment for Science Laboratory, Psychology and Work Experience.
- (iii) Audio-visual aids, e.g. TV and radio sets, video and audio cassette players, projectors, educational cassettes and slides, etc.
- (iv) Micro-computers with peripherals.
- (v) Equipment for Physical Education.
- (vi) Equipment for Art Education.

Buffer Stock of Fertilizers

*321. SHRI YASHWANTRAO GADAKH PATIL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have considered a proposal for creating buffer stock of fertilizers; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the decision taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BHAJAN LAL): (a) and (b). The question of maintaining a buffer stock of fertilisers has come up from time to time. The question has been considered and on the basis of past experience it has been seen that adequate stocks are always available in the distribution system and with the manufacturers. Hence, it is not necessary to maintain a

formal buffer stock.

Proposals for Declaration of State Roads in Maharashtra as National Highways

*322. SHRI R.N. YADAV: Will the Minister for SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Maharashtra has submitted proposals for declaring Nasik-Aurangabad-Nirmal, Dhulia-Jalgaon-Jalna-Sholapur roads and certain other roads as National Highways, and

(b) if so, whether Union Government propose to declare them as National Highways in view of increase in traffic?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) No proposal has been received from the State Government for declaration of Nasik-Aurangabad-Jalna-Nirmal road as a National Highway. The stretch from Nasik-Sangamne is however a part of the National Highway. Proposals for declaration of the road from Dhule-Jalgaon-Jalna-Bir-Sholapur as a National Highway have been received. The stretch from Dhule-Jalgaon is however a part of the National Highway.

(b) Owing to resource crunch under the Central Sector Roads Programme in the 7th Five Year Plan and other priority considerations, it is not possible at present to declare new National Highways in the Maharashtra State.

Income of DTC From a Private Bus Before and After Strike

*323. SHRI C. JANGA REDDY: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the average monthly income of Delhi Transport Corporation from a private bus under DTC operation before the strike in March 1988 and how does it compare with