

**SHRI H. R. GOKHALE :** I think the hon. Member misunderstood the question earlier. The question was whether there will be any attempt to correlate the pay-scales prevailing in the other States and Delhi. Now, to that, the answer was that that is not easy to do because it is primarily a State subject. But so far as Delhi is concerned, the Government is as sympathetic, if not more, than the hon. Members in considering favourably the revision of pay-scales of primary teachers. Various questions have to be taken into consideration, seeing that no further anomalies arise as have been noticed to arise in the past.

In the pay-structure which was last fixed in May, 1970, *prima facie* the Government thought that it needed reconsideration. Therefore, the Government is pursuing seriously and vigorously the steps to see that the whole thing is examined again and something is done about it.

**श्री शशि ब्रूण :** अध्यक्ष महोदय, जब पिछली दफा शिक्षकों और प्रिन्सिपलों के वेतन निश्चित किये गए थे, उस समय इनके वेतन मानों में बहुत अधिक विषमता आ गई थी, मैं सिर्फ इतना जानना चाहता हूँ कि इस विषमता को दूर करने में कितना समय लगेगा। शिक्षकों को इन्तजार करते-करते एक अर्सा गुजर गया गया है, मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि इसमें अब कितना समय और लगेगा ?

**SHRI H. R. GOKHALE :** It is difficult for me to lay down a timelimit, because the considerations of this question include financial consideration also and it is not as if a long time has gone because the last pay-structure was fixed in May, 1970. After that, the State teachers were agitating; they wanted a minimum of Rs 150. That is also being sympathetically considered by the Department. After that an attempt has been made and the teachers were agitating and wanted a minimum of Rs. 150. All aspects are being sympathetically considered by the Government. The whole question will be reconsidered. I can assure the House that it will be as early as possible.

## WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

**Anticipated fall in tourist traffic due to disturbances in Bangla Desh**

\*1471. **SHRI NIHAR LASKAR ;  
SHRI JADEJA ;  
SHRI G. VENKATASWAMY :**

Will the Minister of **TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION** be pleased to State :

(a) whether the tourist-traffic in India has been affected this year due to disturbances in Bangla Desh ;

(b) whether he had discussed this matter with the officers of his Ministry and Air India in a meeting called at Rome recently ; and

(c) if so, the action being taken by Government to step up tourist traffic ?

**THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH) :**

(a) While the figures of tourist arrivals this year so far show an increase over the corresponding figures for last year, it is probable that more tourists would have come but for the unfounded reports in some foreign newspapers regarding the possibility of a cholera epidemic in India.

(b) A number of matters relating to tourist traffic were discussed at the conference held in Rome recently, including the countering of misleading press reports.

(c) Publicity and promotional campaigns are being continued and the correct position is being explained.

### Restraint on foreign remittances

\*1474. **SHRI MUKHTAR SINGH  
MALIK ;  
SHRI N. SHIVAPPA :**

Will the Minister of **FINANCE** be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have since considered taking appropriate steps, legislative or otherwise, to put restraints on foreign remittances ; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor ?

**THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YESHWANTRAO CHAVAN) :** (a) and (b). Presumably the Hon'ble Members have in mind remittances arising out of foreign investments and/or collaborations. The posi-