

prices fixed by Government, without any quantitative restrictions. The CCI also undertakes commercial purchases of kapas for meeting the requirements of institutional buyers like NTC, KVIC, State Textile Corporations, etc. These purchases are made at the prevailing market prices which are higher than the procurement/minimum support prices fixed by the Government.

Proposal to Start Institute of Medical Science Andhra Pradesh

1042. SHRI VIJAYAKUMARRAJU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to start Institute of Medical Science in the University of Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI DASAI CHOWDHARY): (a) and (b). There is no such proposal under consideration of the Government of India.

Recommendation of National Commission on Urbanisation

1043. DR. BIPLAB DASGUPTA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the implementation of the recommendation of the interim report of the National Commission on Urbanisation to accord the status of 'national city' to Calcutta, Madras and Bombay, along with Delhi is under the consideration of the Union Government;

(b) if so, the role attributed to these

major cities by the said Commission;

(c) whether the Government propose to extend the Calcutta Metro to Garia, and also the construction of an East-West line connecting the two major railway terminals in the city; and

(d) if so, the time by which these are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DAULAT RAM SARAN):

(a) and (b). As the Commission has since submitted its final report the interim report is not being considered separately. The final report has not made any recommendation of 'national cities'.

(b) and (d). A study conducted by M.T.P. (Railway) in 1971-75 recommended as Phase II of Calcutta Metro, the extension of Dum Dum-Tollyganj corridor to Garia and Salt Lake city-Ramrajatala-East-West corridor. The Government of West Bengal have recently entrusted the job of updating the feasibility study relating to Tollyganj-Garia extension only to M/s RITES. The study is expected to take nine months for completion.

[*Translation*]

Cultural Exchange Programme During 1990

1044. PROF. SHAILENDRANATH SHRIVASTAVA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the cities where various national workshops were organised under the auspices of Indian National Commission of UNESCO in 1990 and the expenditure incurred thereon, workshop-wise; and

(b) the country-wise names of scholars invited from abroad and the state-wise