

के ऊंचे पदाधिकारी अतिरिक्त रखे गये हैं और इसलिये कास्ट आफ प्राइडकमन ज्यादा आता है ?

Shri Raghuramiah: It has already been stated that we have indigenous components to the extent of 30 per cent.

New Universities

*1129. **Shri Harish Chandra Mathur:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether any new Universities are contemplated to be opened; and

(b) whether Central Government have been consulted in the matter?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir. The University Grants Commission is usually consulted in such cases.

Shri Harish Chandra Mathur: What are the places where new universities are contemplated and may I know whether the Central Government or the University Grants Commission had given any guidance in the matter?

Dr. K. L. Shrimall: As far as the Commission is aware, there are proposals for opening universities in Kanpur, Meerut and three universities in West Bengal—Kalyani, Darjeeling and Burdwan—Durgapur area. The Commission has generally approved the proposals as far as the West Bengal Universities are concerned. It has asked for some more information about the universities in U.P. and it has not so far received that information from the State Government.

Shri D. C. Sharma: In view of the fact that the universities in U.P. are not giving a very good account of themselves, why is it that the Government is opening more universities there and not in the other States of India? . . . (Interruptions).

Mr. Speaker: It is no good casting aspersion on autonomous bodies.

Shri Raghunath Singh: It should be expunged.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. Member will withdraw that portion.

Shri D. C. Sharma: I withdraw. I shall put it in a different way. Why are so many universities being opened in Uttar Pradesh and not in the other States of India?

Dr. K. L. Shrimall: It is really a matter for the State Government to decide. The Commission deals with some development programmes at the post graduate level and the ultimate responsibility is that of the State Governments in this matter.

सेठ भोविन्द दास : क्या सरकार को मालूम है कि उत्तर प्रदेश की आवादी बहुत अधिक है और भारतीय संस्कृति का विकास उत्तर प्रदेश में ही आ है, इसलिये क्या इस बात का खयाल रखा जायगा कि वहाँ पर जितने भी विश्वविद्यालय बनाये जा सकें, बनाये जायें ?

Mr. Speaker: Next question. There are fourteen States. Hon. Members want to make a suggestion as to why universities should not be opened or strengthened.

Shri Harish Chandra Mathur: I shall ask a general question. While speaking in the last session, the hon. Minister stated categorically that he was opposed to the opening of any new universities. May I know whether he is taking any steps to pursue that policy or he is leaving it absolutely to the discretion of the State Governments to open universities?

Dr. K. L. Shrimall: As I have already said, in this matter the ultimate responsibility is with the State Government. When this proposal was made by the U.P. Government, the Commission told them that they must depend upon their own resources.

The Commission was only concerned with the development of studies at the post graduate level and when the universities have come into existence, then only the Commission will come into the picture. It is true that the General policy which has been laid down by the Commission is not to encourage the development or setting up of new universities. But no hard and fast line can be drawn in this matter because the universities will have to develop in accordance with the needs and the requirements of our national economy.

Shri Tyagi: I wanted to know as to who foots the bill for the universities. Is it for the Central Government to give grants or is it the responsibility of the State Government as far as finances go?

Dr. K. L. Shrimall: Well, Sir, as far as the central universities are concerned it is entirely the responsibility of the Central Government. As far as the State universities are concerned the House is aware that we had created a University Grants Commission and the University Grants Commission is concerned with the maintenance and determination of standards. With that end in view it has been giving grants to the State universities for developmental purposes, particularly at the post-graduate level. Therefore, it is sharing finances with the State Governments as far as post-graduate studies are concerned.

Shri A. C. Guha rose—

Mr. Speaker: We will go to the next question now. There are three universities in Bengal; why does he worry?

Shri A. C. Guha: I am not eager to have more universities in West Bengal.

Indian Cricket Team in England

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*1130. { **Shri S. M. Banerjee:**
Shri Panigrahi:
Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state: •

(a) whether correct reasons have since been ascertained for the failure of Indian Cricket Team in England in recent test matches; and

(b) if so, what those reasons are?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

The Board of Control for Cricket in India, who sponsored the visit of the Indian Cricket team to England have informed the Government that the tour was not a failure. The Board has, of late, been concentrating in building up a younger team so that the future of Cricket in India is assured. With this end in view, the team to England was composed of youngsters and their main object was to gain experience in competitive Cricket. Taking the above facts into consideration the Board is of the opinion that the team had done quite well.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: In the statement it is said that the Board has, of late, been concentrating in building up a younger team so that the future of cricket in India is assured, and with this end in view, the team to England was composed of youngsters and their main object was to gain experience in competitive cricket. I want to know whether we tried actually to gain this experience at the cost of the name and fame of the country?

Mr. Speaker: The hon. Member is arguing the point. He has said that the Board is concentrating on young men being associated. He himself is a young man.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: Sir, our question was whether India is short of fast bowlers and whether positive steps are being taken to improve the standard of cricket in India.

Dr. K. L. Shrimall: As far as the selection of teams is concerned, it is