the efforts made to enthuse the States to allot greater funds for the National Cadet Corps during the year 1959-60?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Defence (Shri Fatesinh Pratapsinh Gaekwad): A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 77].

Prohibition in Delhi

*1405. Shri L. Achaw Singh: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi Administration had represented to the States of Punjab and U.P. that prohibition could not be enforced effectively in the Union Capital until the neighbouring districts of those States were also declared dry;

(b) if so, whether the proposal of the Delhi Administration has been accepted by the two States; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of Home Affairs (Shri G. B. Pant): (a) The Governments of Uttar Pradesh and Punjab were addressed in the matter by the Central Government.

(b) and (c). The State Governments have written to say that they are not at present in a position to implement the suggestion due to financial reasons.

Marking System of Voting

*1407. { Shri P. G. Deb: { Shri Hem Barua: } Shri S. A. Mehdi:

Will the Minister of Law be pleased to state:

(a) whether a meeting of the Chief Electrical Officers was held at Bangalore recently; and

(b) if so, the decision taken on the marking system of voting?

The Deputy Minister of Law (Shri R. M. Hajarnavis): (a) Yes, Sir; a conference of Chief Electoral Officers was held at Bangalore in February, 1960.

(b) The question as to how far it would be possible to adopt the marking system of voting at the next general elections was considered in the light of the experience gained at the bye-elections and the mid-term election in Kerala, where this system was followed The Election Commission and the Chief Electoral Officers were of the view that it would he possible to hold the next general elections under the marking system except in a few inaccessible and backward areas. No decision, however, has yet been taken in the matter.

Training of Administrative Services

*1409. { Shri Shivana. Shri Pramathanath Banerjee:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government is contemplating a revision of the pattern of training for all senior services-administrative, police, revenue and postal to bring it in greater harmony with the new social and economic concepts evolved since independence; and

(b) if so, when this training comes into operation?

The Minister of Home Affairs (Shri G. B. Pant): (a) and (b). The pattern of training has been revised for this purpose and the National Academy of Administration conducted a combined course of training of four months' duration for fresh entrants in the A11-India Services and Central Services, Class I, in 1959, accordingly. Fresh entrants in the Indian Police Service could not participate in the course last year but they will also get training in this course which is likely to commence in May, 1960 and will last for five months.