

Output of Engineers and Technicians

1038. { Shri Dinen Bhattacharya:
Dr. L. M. Singhvi:

Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal under consideration to increase the output of engineers and technicians from the existing institutions; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. It is proposed—

- (i) To increase admissions to existing institutions by 3000 for the first degree courses and by 9000 for Diploma courses.
- (ii) To organise part-time Diploma courses at about 25 centres each with 100 admissions.
- (iii) To organise special two-year diploma courses for Technicians at selected centres.
- (iv) To institute special three-year degree courses in engineering for science graduates.
- (v) To organise special degree or equivalent courses for Diploma-holders.
- (vi) To accelerate at selected institutions the training of the students now studying in the third and final years of degree courses.

Special Scientific Centres in Universities

1039. **Shri Dinen Bhattacharya:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal under consideration to estab-

lish special scientific centres in universities with Soviet help;

(b) if so, the main features of the proposal; and

(c) the nature and extent of assistance offered by the Soviet Union in this respect?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library, See No. LT-712/63].

Central Social Welfare Board

1040. **Shri Hem Raj:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent on the Central Social Welfare Board in 1961-62 and proposed to be spent in 1962-63 thereon; and

(b) whether the transport provided to the Board has been withdrawn during the present emergency and the saving which has been effected thereby?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) The amount spent on the Central Social Welfare Board in 1961-62 was Rs. 182.21 lakhs and proposed to be spent in 1962-63 thereon is Rs. 191.30 lakhs.

(b) No, Sir; the question of saving does not arise.

University Grants Commission

1041. **Dr. L. M. Singhvi:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the budget of the University Grants Commission has been greatly curtailed in view of the emergency; and

(b) whether it has been decided in principle to reduce and curtail building grants in particular, to new Universities, such as the Universities of Jodhpur, Udaipur etc.?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) The budget of the University Grants Commission for the