

(1) Programme of Cultural and Educational Exchanges for the years 1985-87, providing for mutual cooperation between the two countries in the field of Education, offer of Scholarships, Cooperation in the field of Art and Culture, and exchange of visits of experts in various fields;

(2) Protocol to the Agreement on Cooperation in Science and Technology between the Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the United Mexican States, in the field of Bio-Technology, providing for mutual cooperation in various areas of Bio-Technology including Fermentation Technology, Enzyme Technology, Molecular Biology and Genetics, Plant Tissue Culture for increased agricultural productivity and Technological innovation of Biological processes.

(3) Memorandum of Understanding on Industrial Cooperation, providing for mutual cooperation and interaction in various fields including Steel, Petroleum, Power and Engineering Industries, Bio-Technology, Electronics and Chemicals and Pharmaceuticals.

[English]

**Anomaly in Fixation of Seniority of Assistants**

6626. SHRI GANGA RAM : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the seniority of Assistants who have been transferred from one Ministry/Department to another Ministry/Department against the select list vacancies under the zoning scheme dated 29 December, 1983 has been fixed/protected in accordance with their relative seniority in their respective U.D.C.'s Grade as is being done in the case of direct recruit Assistants who are also appointed against the select list vacancies;

(b) if not, the reasons for such anomaly between these two categories of Assistants when both of them are appointed against the same select list vacancies;

(c) the procedure for fixing the seniority of officials mentioned in part (a) above; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken to remove this anomaly ?

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TRAINING, ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSION AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) : (a) to (c). According to sub-rule (6) of Rule 13 of the Central Secretariat Clerical Service Rules, 1962, 50 per cent of the substantive vacancies in the Assistants' Grade in any cadre shall be filled by direct recruitment on the results of competitive examinations held by the Union Public Service Commission for this purpose from time to time and the remaining vacancies shall be filled by the substantive appointment of persons included in the Select List for the Assistants' Grade in that cadre. Select List for the Assistants' Grade in any cadre is prepared from officers of the Upper Division Grade in that cadre who have rendered not less than 5 years approved service in the grade and are within the range of seniority, in the order of their seniority in that grade subject to the rejection of the unfit. If officers within the range of seniority are not available in a cadre, officers of U.D. Grade serving in other cadres who are within the range of seniority are transferred for inclusion in the Select List of the deficient cadre under the Zoning Scheme. The inter-se seniority of directly recruited Assistants and of officers included in the Select List, on their substantive appointment in Assistants' Grade, is fixed according to the quotas of substantive vacancies in the Assistants' Grade reserved for direct recruitment and the appointments of persons included in the Select List respectively. In this scheme of things, fixing of seniority of Assistants included in the Select List in a cadre on transfer of officers of U. D. Grade *vis-a-vis* direct recruit Assistants, who do not figure at all in the Select List, does not arise. As a corollary thereto, the question of there being an anomaly in that regard also does not arise.

(d) Does not arise.

**Transfer of I.P.S. Officers on Promotion to I.G. Rank from Delhi**

6627. SHRI SIDHA LAL MURMU : SHRI KESHAORAO PARDHI :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether some senior I.P.S. Officers posted in Delhi were transferred on promo-