

(b) if so, the details thereof highlighting the main features?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (DR. PRATAP CHANDRA CHUNDER): (a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Another change in pattern of secondary Education

146. SHRI K. MALLANNA:
 SHRI S. S. SOMANI:
 SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD:
 SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA:
 SHRI K. LAKKAPPA:
 SHRI VAYALAR RAVI:
 SHRI RAMANAND TIWARY:
 SHRI S. R. DAMANI:
 SHRI PRASANNABHAI MEHTA:
 SHRI SUKHDEV PRASAD VERMA:
 DR. BAPU KALDATY:
 SHRI PHOOL CHAND VERMA:
 SHRI SANTOSHRAO GODE:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether recently Government have made some indication that the pattern of Secondary Education in the country will under go another change;

(b) if so, the proposals in this regard;

(c) whether there is a heavy burden of course books on the teenagers;

(d) whether all the States have agreed to follow the new system of 10 + 2;

(e) if so, the details in this regard; and

(f) if not, which of the States have not agreed to adopt the new pattern?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (DR. PRATAP CHANDRA CHUNDER): (a) to (c). The Education Minister, in his capacity as President of National Council of Educational Research and Training had appointed a Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri Ishwarbhai Patel, Vice-Chancellor, Gujarat University to review the existing syllabi, courses and text books for the secondary stage of school education. The Committee was also to examine whether there is heavy load of curriculum on the school children at the secondary stage. The report of this Committee is expected to be submitted in a week's time. The Committee has suggested in an interim report certain deletions from the present courses of studies. The deletions suggested are being referred to the Central Board of Secondary Education. The Central Board of Secondary Education is meeting in the last week of November, 1977; when this report will be considered.

(d) to (f). The present position regarding the implementation of the new pattern of school education i.e., 10+2 in the various States and Union Territories is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT 1021/77].

Ratio of Scheduled Castes and scheduled Tribes in Ministry

147. SHRI D. G. GAWAI:
 SHRI KACHARULAL HEMRAJ JAIN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) total number and the ratio of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes employees to other employees in each Department of the Ministry in Class I, II and III posts separately; and