## 291 Written Answers

परिषद् से नियमित रूप से वित्तीय सहायता प्राप्त करना सुरू किया। ग्रव तक प्राप्त राशि लगभग 3.50 लाख रुपए की है। जहां तक 1973-76 की पहले की भवधि का प्रश्न है, संस्थान विभिन्न एजेन्सियों ढारा प्रायोजिस 2,91,400 रु० की राशि की तदर्थ परि-योजनामों के साधार पर कार्य कर रहा था।

## Audio-Visual aid Materials

6358. SHRI K. RAMAMURTHY: Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the survey of equipment available with educational institutions in the country for the production or use of audio-visual aid materials sponsored by the Ministry has been completed,

(b) if so, the salient features of this survey; and

(c) if not, when this survey is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION. SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (DR. PRATAP CHANDRA CHUN-DER): (a) The Centre for Educational Technology (NCERT) had assigned such a survey to a voluntary organisation which has not been able to complete it and now the Centre itself is completing it.

(b) The survey would give an indication of equipment for production purposes available with educational institutions so that the Centre could identify them for undertaking production work and utilise them as resource centres later.

(c) The survey is expected to be completed by July, 1978.

## Education System Irrational

6359. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJA-RY: Wil line Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the article published in Deccan Herald of 4th February, 1978 entitled "Education system irrational"; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (DR PRATAP CHANDRA CHUN-DER): (a) Yes, SIT.

in question refers (b The article to the uneven growth of higher education as between regions and States as well as in different disciplines, the absence of uniformity in the minimum marks required for obtaining 0255 marks, Divisions, etc. Keeping in view the problems in the development of higher education in the past, the Government are of the view that during the next plan period. the expansion of higher education should be regulated and that the existing regional imbalances should be reduced to the extent possible. ( As far the variations in the system of examinations and the percentage of marks, etc., it may not be feasible to ensure absolute uniformity as each university has full authority to decide these matters,