

Shri R. K. Chaudhuri: Is this amount of Rs. 100, per month, or for the whole year, or for the whole life?

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[Maulana Azad]: No, it is for each month.

U. P. S. C. CENTRE IN LONDON

*201. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** (a) Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Government of India have opened a Union Public Service Commission Centre in London also?

(b) Will the officers and staff be sent from here or recruited from the Indian Embassy staff?

(c) If the reply to part (a) above be in the affirmative, how much money has been spent on this?

(d) Do Government propose to open centres in other places where large numbers of Indians are working or studying?

The Deputy Minister of Home Affairs (Shri Datar): (a) The Union Public Service Commission opened a centre in London for the 1953 Combined Competitive Examination for recruitment to the I.A.S and other allied Services.

(b) The Centre was managed by the officers and staff of the Indian High Commission in London. No officer or staff was sent from India nor was any fresh local recruitment necessary to the Indian High Commission staff for this purpose.

(c) No extra expenditure was incurred.

(d) A suggestion for opening a similar centre at Washington is under consideration of the Union Public Service Commission.

Shri D. C. Sharma: May I know, Sir, if it is the intention of Government to continue this examination in future also?

Shri Datar: That depends upon the response from the students. If the number is large, in the interest of the students in those countries, we might keep the Centre.

Shri D. C. Sharma: Is it not a fact, Sir, that there being two sets of examiners for *viva voce* there would be two standards for these examinations?

Shri Datar: The standards would be the same for all the students.

Shri D. C. Sharma: I referred to *viva voce*. Therefore I think two standards are prevalent, one in India and another in England.

Shri Datar: This time the number was very small. But when all these questions arise they will be considered in the due interests of the candidates.

Shri D. C. Sharma: May I know if it is the intention of Government to open similar centres in other countries where a large number of Indians live, as for instance in East Africa and other places?

Shri Datar: It is a general question. It depends upon the strength of students that are likely to be available. Government have an open mind in the matter.

Shri B. S. Murthy: May I know whether non-Indian students in these centres are also given permission to sit for these examinations?

Shri Datar: No. Only Indian students in foreign countries are allowed.

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: Is it the intention of Government to have the entire recruitment made in England hereafter, or is there going to be a proportion?

Shri N. M. Lingam: May I know the number of students that appeared at the London centre?

Shri Datar: We expected one hundred, and there were only eight students this year.