

light of the objectives stated in the first Schedule of the Jawaharlal Nehru University Act;

(ii) to assess the achievements of the University in the realisation of these objectives and to suggest steps necessary to consolidate and improve upon them;

(iii) to note handicaps, shortcomings and failures in the academic and administrative functioning of the University, to ascertain the reasons thereof and to propose remedies necessary for a more effective functioning of the University in future, and

(iv) to recommend the lines of growth and development of the University in the next decade consistent with the objectives stated in the Jawaharlal Nehru University Act.

N.C.E.R.T. Officials sent Abroad for Training

7558. SHRI P. RAJAGOPAL NAIDU: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sent N.C.E.R.T. officials for training abroad; and

(b) if so, the number thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) One hundred and sixty-seven since 1962.

Selection of Indian Delegation for Women's Mid-Decade Conference

7559. SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the basis of selecting the officials of Indian Delegation to the Women's Mid-Decade Conference

at Copenhagen in July, 1980;

(b) whether it is a fact that Members from the Parliament were chosen only from one Party; and

(c) if so, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND):

(a) to (c). The non-official members of the Indian Delegation for the World Conference of the UN Decade for Women held in Copenhagen from 14-30th July, 1980, were selected on the basis of experience in and contribution to Women's development and potential for future social action. The Official members of the Delegation were those directly concerned with the work relating to Women's Welfare and Development and the UN Conference. All the Members of the Delegation from Parliament happen to belong to One Party but they were chosen keeping in view the criteria mentioned above.

Complaints against Junagarh Telephone Exchange

7560. SHRI MOHANLAL PATEL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Junagarh (Gujarat) has no automatic telephone exchange at present but is manually operated;

(b) whether there are a number of complaints against that as people do not get telephones in time and have to wait a long for getting their numbers connected;

(c) if so, what action Government have taken or propose to take in this regard;

(d) the capacity of telephones in the said exchange at present and details and number of operators and the staff; and

(e) what action has been taken to add more operators so that subscribers can get their calls?'

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KARTIK ORAON): (a) Yes, Sir. Junagarh is at present served by a manual exchange.

(b) Junagarh is a comparatively large manual exchange and there may be occasional delay in answering due to exceptionally high traffic at peak hours or due to heavy absenteeism.

(c) An automatic exchange has been planned. It is hoped that the exchange can be commissioned by 1984.

(d) As on 31-3-1980, the equipped capacity of the exchange was 2,280 lines. Staff strength is as follows:

Designation	Sanc- tioned	Posted
1. Junior Engineer (JE)	13	13
2. Telephone Operator (TOs.)	121	111
3. Junior Supervisors (J.S.)	8	6
4. Phones Inspectors (Pis.)	4	4
5. Sub-Inspectors (SIs.)	8	7
6. Linemen (LM)	32	29
7. Technicians	15	17

(e) Ten Telephone Operators are under training and they will be available by 30-9-80. Recruitment of additional 10 operators is in progress and they will be available by 31-3-1981.

Advisory Panel of National Book Trust

7561. **SHRI ARJUN SETHI:** Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have appointed any Advisory Panel to advise the National Book Trust on writing, translating and publishing the books in different languages;

(b) if so, what is its composition;

(c) whether the books published by the Trust have been sold out and how many still remain in stock; and

(d) what is the annual expenditure on renting buildings for stocking books and other expenses during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND):

(a) and (b). While Government have not, the National Book Trust have advisory panels on writing, translating and publishing books in different languages and a statement indicating their composition is attached.

(c) Out of the total of 87.11 lakh copies of various titles printed upto March 31, 1980, 67.08 lakh copies have been sold/distributed as complimentary copies, 1.80 lakh copies have been gifted to schools and the remaining 18.23 lakh copies are in stock.

(d) The Trust has not hired any buildings exclusively for storing books. The total expenditure incurred towards rent and other connected expenses during the last three years is given below:—

1977-78	Rs. 1,93,644
1978-79	Rs. 2,67,985
1979-80	Rs. 2,45,835

In addition to the above the Trust has also paid the following amounts towards rent to the Central Warehousing Corporation for storing exhibition equipments:

1977-78	Rs. 35,264
1978-79	Rs. 52,178
1979-80	Rs. 57,771

Statement

Composition of the Language Advisory Panels

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1. Dr. Maheswar Neog, Saint Shankardev Professor, Punjabi University

2. Dr. Bhabendra Nath Saikia, Eminent Author