

that an Institution for higher education shall be deemed to be a University. The Institution of Engineers is primarily a professional body, and the Membership examination conducted by it is recognised for purpose of recruitment to superior posts under the Central Government.

#### Allahabad Division Train Examiners

4778. SHRI SURAJ BHAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the seniority of about 11 Train Examiners of Allahabad division of Northern Railway was wrongly fixed above so many other trains examiners;

(b) whether in an informal meeting with union officials decision to revise the seniority of these 11 persons was taken to ensure that these persons are not given undue benefit;

(c) if so, whether the seniority of these persons has since been revised;

(d) if not, the reason thereof;

(e) by what time the same is likely to be implemented;

(f) whether there is any hitch to implement the same; and

(g) what remedial measures are being taken by the administration to avoid the same?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The seniority of Train Examiners of Allahabad Division is under challenge in a writ petition at Allahabad High Court and the case is still pending.

(b) Yes.

(c) to (g). The matter is under examination.

#### Seniority of Train Examiners of Lucknow

4779. SHRI SURAJ BHAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the seniority of persons recruited directly among themselves is reckoned on the basis of the merit they obtain in the training period they undergo before being posted on working posts as train examiners;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that some of the train examiners posted on Lucknow division in the year 1958 after training have not been assigned their due seniority vis-a-vis their batch-mates in other divisions, though they were having better merit positions;

(c) if so, the reasons thereof; and

(d) what remedial measures are proposed to be taken by the administration of Northern Railway to correct the seniority and by what time?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (d). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

#### Assistant for Publication of Marathi Dictionary

4780. SHRI SURAJ BHAN: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 4719 on 23rd March, 1981, regarding assistance for publication of Marathi Dictionary and state:

(a) whether the processing of the case has been concluded and put up to the grants Committee;

(b) if so, what is the report of the Grants Committee; and

(c) if not, the reasons for delay in processing this case and when the same is likely to be completed?