

**Bombay State Social Welfare
Advisory Board**

1192. Shri Pangarkar: Will the Minister of Education and Scientific Research be pleased to state:

(a) the amount granted by the Central Social Welfare Board to the State Social Welfare Advisory Board of Bombay during 1955-56 and 1956-57; and

(b) the target fixed for developing the social welfare services in Bombay State during the Second Five Year Plan period?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): (a) 1955-56. Rs. 3,58,768/4/-
1956-57 Rs. 4,14,877/6/-

(b) Under is scheme of after-care services, the Board has fixed a target to establish five Homes at State level and a Shelter for each district during the Second Five Year Plan period.

No targets have been fixed for giving grants to voluntary social welfare organisations and for establishing Welfare Extension Projects.

**Multipurpose Schools in
Marathwada**

1193. Shri Pangarkar: Will the Minister of Education and Scientific Research be pleased to state the number of High and Higher Secondary Schools to be converted into Multi-purpose Schools in each of the districts of Marathwada region of Bombay during 1957-58?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): According to the information available 2 schools are to be converted into Multipurpose schools in the whole of the Marathwada region of the State of Bombay. District-wise distribution is not available.

**Coir Industry in Laccadive and
Amindivi Islands**

1194. Shri Nallakoya: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the rate of profit for Government in the exchange of rice for coir products from the Laccadive and Amindivi Islands; and

(b) the steps taken by Government to encourage the coir industry in the said islands?

The Deputy Minister of Home Affairs (Shrimati Alva): (a) The profit for the year ending 30th June, 1957, was Rs. 2,47,099.

(b) The following schemes proposed under the Five Year Plan are under examination:

- (i) Experimental scheme for making mats and carpets from coir.
- (ii) Training of island boys in Coir School, Beypore.
- (iii) Scheme for supply of coir charkhas to islanders at 50 per cent. of the cost for improving production.

Expenditure on Universities

1195. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Education and Scientific Research be pleased to state:

(a) the expenditure incurred by the Centre on each University during 1956-57;

(b) whether any new Universities have been established during this period; and

(c) the increase in the number of students, male and female, during the same period?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): (a) A statement is laid on the Table of Lok Sabha. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 53.]

(b) Yes, Sir.