

**Shri Datar:** I am not aware of the previous attempts. This matter is under investigation at present.

**Pandit D. N. Tiwary:** May I know whether some persons have been arrested in this connection, and if so, how many?

**Shri Datar:** Two persons have already been arrested.

### राज्यों में पुस्तकालयों का विस्तार

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क्या शिक्षा तथा वैज्ञानिक गवेषणा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) १९५६-५७ और १९५७-५८ में (पथक-पथक) अब तक पुस्तकालयों के विस्तार के लिये सरकार न प्रत्येक राज्य को कितने कितने अनुदान दिये, और

(ख) प्रत्येक राज्य को जो धनराशि दी गई क्या उसका उसी काम के लिये उपयोग किया जा रहा है ?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (Dr K. L. Shrimali): (a) A statement is laid on the Table of the House [See Appendix I, annexure No 65]

(b) Information has not been made available by the State Governments so far.

**Shri Narayanankutty Menon:** From the list that is placed on the Table, it is seen that no grants have been made for the States of Kerala and Madras. What is the reason for not making any grants for these two States in the year 1956-57?

**Dr. K. L. Shrimali:** Grants were given in the last financial year to the State Governments which had

included this proposal in their development plans.

**Shri Narayanankutty Menon:** May I know whether it is under consideration by Government for making grants for the year 1957-58, and, when it is likely to finalise?

**Dr. K. L. Shrimali:** We are waiting for the reports from the State Governments with regard to grants that were given last financial year and further grants will be made as soon as the reports are available.

**Shri Shree Narayan Das:** What is the basis on which these grants are made to the various States and whether the existence of a number of libraries in the State is taken into consideration while giving these grants?

**Dr. K. L. Shrimali:** In the last Five Year Plan the Central Government shared 66 per cent of non-recurring and 60 to 33-1/3 per cent on the sliding scale of recurring expenditure. As far as I remember, in 1956-57, the Central Government shared 66 per cent non-recurring and 60 per cent recurring for Central, State, District and Children's libraries and 50 per cent of the expenditure below district level libraries.

**Shrimati Ila Palchoudhuri:** How much of these grants is used for the mobile libraries, if there is a portion which is particularly assessed for mobile libraries?

**Dr. K. L. Shrimali:** It all depends upon the State Governments and the kind of proposals they send. We always consider the proposals sympathetically when they come from the State Governments.

### Conference of State Chief Ministers

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(a) whether it is a fact that a conference of State Chief Ministers under,