

(b) whether the Expert Committee under the Chairmanship of General Wheeler recommended a separate Circle for Mysore with headquarters at Bangalore; and

(c) if so, the action taken thereon?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education (Shri Sher Singh):

(a) The Archaeological circles have been formed keeping in view several factors such as number of monuments, geographical distribution of areas, existing means of communications and administrative reasons.

(b) The Wheeler Committee has recommended redistribution of the existing circles and creation of an additional circle for the south appropriately having its headquarters at Bangalore. The new circle proposed by the Committee is to include only southern Districts of Mysore.

(c) The recommendations of the Committee have been accepted in principle and the matter is being examined further.

Educational Problems of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes

224. Shri Siddayya: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Education Commission had set up a study group to look into the educational problems of the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and the other Backward Classes in the country;

(b) whether the study group submitted a report to the Commission; and

(c) if so, the recommendations of the study group?

The Minister of Education (Dr. Triguna Sen): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Report of this Working Group was duly considered by the

Education Commission and its important recommendations have been incorporated in Chapter VI (paras 6.59 to 6.75) of the Report of the Education Commission.

Media of Instruction at University Stage

225. Shrimati Jyotna Chanda: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether the University Grants Commission propose to implement the recommendations of the State Education Ministers regarding the adoption of the regional languages as media of instruction at the University stage; and

(b) if so, when it will be implemented?

The Minister of Education (Dr. Triguna Sen): (a) and (b). The recommendations of the Conference of State Education Ministers held in April, 1967 have yet to be considered.

Jobs for Students

226. Shri S. C. Jha: Will the Minister of Labour and Rehabilitation be pleased to state:

(a) whether any facility has been provided to students in seeking jobs while they are at schools and colleges and who want to work their way through schools and colleges; and

(b) if so, the nature thereof?

The Minister of Labour and Rehabilitation (Shri Nathi): (a) and (b). Information regarding opportunities for part-time jobs suitable for students is made available to student job-seekers by the Employment Exchanges as well as the University Employment Information and Guidance Bureaux. The Employment Service also renders suitable employment assistance to them.