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Recruitment to Grade III and IV C.I.S. through U.P.S.C.

9225. SHRI P. N. SOLANKI :
SHRI R. K. AMIN :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that recruitment to Grade IV and Grade III of the Central Information Service is done through an open competitive Examination held by the UPSC ;

(b) if so, how many such examinations have been held since 1960 for these grades and how many officers have been recruited through them ; and

(c) the reasons for not holding these examinations at fixed intervals ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH) : (a) to (c). All vacancies in Grade IV are filled through an open competitive examination held by the Union Public Service Commission. 25% vacancies in Grade III were also filled similarly upto 31.12.64. Direct recruitment to this Grade has, however, been discontinued with effect from 1st January, 1965, on the advice of the UPSC.

Two examinations have been held for recruitment to Grade IV in 1964 and 1965 and one for Grade III in 1963. 106 and 13 officers were appointed to the two Grades respectively.

It has not been possible to hold an examination for Grade IV after 1965, as the question of age relaxation in respect of *ad hoc* appointees and revision of C.I.S. Rules has been under consideration in consultation with the Commission.

Central Information Service

9226. SHRI NANJA GOWDER :
SHRI S. P. RAMAMOORTHY :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Assis-

tant Information Officers are recruited through allied services ; as well as from Grade IV of the Central Information Service ;

(b) if so, why the new entrants are placed higher than the seasoned journalists of several years' standing ; and

(c) if so, why they are given different scales of pay ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH) : (a) The Posts of Assistant Information Officers in the Press Information Bureau can be held by officers of Grade II (Rs. 400-900 Class I) and Grade III (Rs. 350-800 Class II) of the Central Information Service. All vacancies in Grade III are filled by promotion from Grade IV (Rs. 270-485, Class II). Similarly except for 50 per cent of the permanent vacancies which are filled on the basis of the I.A.S. and Allied Services Examination, all vacancies including all temporary vacancies in Grade II are filled by promotion from Grade III.

(b) The *inter se* seniority of officers in Grade II is fixed in accordance with the general instructions issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs governing recruitment by Central Services.

(c) The position in the CIS is similar to what is obtaining in other Central Services. Grade II of the CIS with provision for direct recruitment has been introduced on the advice of the UPSC in order to induct persons with high academic record and mental calibre.

Appointment on Contract Basis in C.I.S.

9227. SHRI NANJA GOWDER :
SHRI S. P. RAMAMOORTHY :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that before the formation of the Central Information Service in 1960, the officers/staff in different categories were appointed on contract basis ;

(b) if so, what were their grades, number of posts in each grade and general terms of contract ;

(c) how many of such officers appointed on contract basis have been absorbed in the Central Information Service, on what criteria and in what different grades ; and

(d) how many such officers have retired and the total pension paid to such officers ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH) : (a) Yes, Sir. Before the formation of the Central Information Service in 1960, some of the posts were filled by appointing officers on contract basis.

(b) and (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. Lt-1126/68].

The officers concerned were governed by the contract terms as prescribed, from time to time, in Appendix 27 to the Fundamental and Supplementary Rules.

The contract officers whose posts were included in the Central Information Service were *inter-alia* screened by a Selection Committee presided over by a Member of the Union Public Service Commission and those considered fit with due regard to their qualifications, background, experience and confidential records, were appointed to the appropriate grades of the Service as recommended by the Commission.

(d) Eight officers retired.

Monthly pension sanctioned to them is as follows :—

- (1) Rs. 243.
- (2) Rs. 170.
- (3) Rs. 537.
- (4) Rs. 375.
- (5) Rs. 435.40.
- (6) Rs. 132.
- (7) Rs. 275.70.
- (8) Rs. 211.

Export of Films

9228. **SHRI KASHI NATH PANDEY :** Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the films (i) Guide, (ii) Aaye Milan Ki Bela, (iii) Boot Polish, (iv) Awara, (v) Shri 420, (vi) Mugale Azam, (vii) Kala Bazar, (viii) Taxi Driver, (ix)

Yaadein produced in India have been sent for exhibition to foreign countries during the last ten years :

(b) if so, the year and the names of the countries where these films have been exhibited during the above period.

(c) the amount of foreign exchange, if any, given to the above films during the said period, and

(d) the names and addressees of the producers of the said films and whether the producers of these films have sent them privately or sent them through Government and if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH) : (a) to (d). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

C. I. S. Officers compiling News for T. V.

9229. **SHRI HARDAYAL DEVGUN :** Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) how many Central Information Service Officers are compiling the T. V. news bulletins and what are their journalistic and academic qualifications ;

(b) whether Government have considered the desirability of recruiting only working journalists to the Central Information Service ;

(c) if so, the incentives provided for this purpose ; and

(d) if not, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH) : (a) The Television news bulletins are compiled by the News Editor incharge of the Hindi Unit assisted by an Assistant News Editor and a Staff Artiste.

Both the News Editor and the Assistant News Editor are C. I. S. Officers. They have been chosen for this work with due care having regard to their qualifications, background and aptitude for the job.

(b) to (d). The C. I. S. Rules already provide for direct recruitment to various grades of the Service of persons possessing requisite journalistic experience and back-