Propagation of Hindi

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242. Shri Badshah Gupta: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state the areas inhabited by uneducated people on the mainland and the Islands of the Indian Union where propagation of Hindi has so far been undertaken by Government?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Education (Shri Bhakt Darshan): The work relating to propagation and development of Hindi has been undertaken in all the non-Hindispeaking areas, whether on the mainland or the Islands.

Space Research in Kerala University

243. Shri Vasudevan Nair: Shri Warlor; Shri A. V. Raghavan:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any proposal has been recommended to the Kerala University to institute a course in space research;
- (b) whether the idea of associating the University with the Thumba Rocket Launching Station is being considered; and
- (c) the time by which a final decision will be taken in the matter?

The Minister of Education (Shri M. C. Chagia): (a) to (c). Certain preliminary discussions have taken place between the Vice-Chancellor, Kerala University, and the authorities of the Thumba Rocket Launching Project on the question of instituting a course in space research in the University. It is premature to state at this stage as to when a final decision will be taken to start the course.

Sugar Mill in Betul

244. Shri Wadiwa: Shri A, S. Saigal: Dr. Chandrabhan Singh: Shri Chandak;

Shri Lakhmi Bhawani: Shri Hukam Chand Kachhavaiva:

Will the Minister of Labour, Employment and Rehabilitation be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 785 on the 17th November, 1965 and state:

- (a) whether the Government of Madhya Pradesh have since forwarded proposals for providing irrigation facilities for the cultivation of sugarcane on the lands under reclamation in Betul district for the resettlement of migrants from East Pakistan;
- (b) if so, whether the scheme has been sanctioned:
- (c) whether any decision has been taken regarding the establishment of a sugar mill there; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Labour, Employment and Rehabilitation (Shri Jagjivan Ram): (a) Not yet.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

Small-Scale Industries in Madhya Pradesh

245. Shri Wadiwa: Shri A. S. Saigal; Dr. Chandrabhan Singh; Shri Chandak; Shri Lakhmu Bhawanl;

Will the Minister of Labour, Employment and Rehabilitation be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any proposal has been received from the Government of Madhya Pradesh for establishing small-scale industries in the State for the employment of 1327 new migrants from East Pakistan;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the approval of the Government of India has since been communicated to the State Government?

The Minister of Labour, Employment and Rehabilitation (Shri Jagivan Ram): (a) The Government of Madhya Pradesh have forwarded 57 small-scale industries scheme which envisages employment of 2,418 new migrants at an estimated cost of Rs. 56.00 lakhs.

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- (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-5458/66].
- (c) The schemes are under technical scrutiny.

Compilation of Madhya Pradesh District Gazetteer in Hindi

246. Shri Wadiwa: Dr. Chandrabhan Singh: Shri A. S. Saigal: Shri J. P. Jyotishi: Shri Chandak:

Will the Minister of **Education** be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 70 on the 3rd November, 1965 and state:

- (a) whether the Government of India have accepted the suggestion of the Government of Madhya Pradesh regarding the compilation of Madhya Pradesh District Gazetteer in Hindi in terms of the Madhya Pradesh Languages Act, 1957 on Government of India sharing 40 per cent of the cost of such publication; and
- (b) if so, whether Government concurrence has been communicated to the State Government?

The Minister of Education (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) No, Sir

(b) Does not arise.

Teaching of Foreign Languages

- 247. Shri M. Malaichami: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to a suggestion made by the Board of Trade

as reported in the "Hindu" dated 31st December, 1965 that provision must be made for teaching facilities in the country for foreign languages like Arabic, Spanish, Russian and Japanese; and

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(b) if so, the steps taken for imparting education in foreign languages to students at the Secondary and University Stages?

The Minister of Education (Shri M. C. Chagla); (a) No. Sir.

(b) There is no provision for imparting education in foreign languages to students at the Secondary school stage. The University Grants Commission has approved certain grants for developing the study of foreign languages in universities. They have also accepted the recommendation of the Committee on Area Studies to develop the study of Foreign languages as part of the programme relating to Area Studies in selected universities.

डाक्टर की सम्मानार्थ डिग्री

248. डा॰ राम मनोहर लोहिया: श्री किशन पटनायक: श्री रामसेवक ग्राडव:

क्या शिक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की क्रुपा करेंगे कि :

- (क) संविधान के लागू होने से 31 दिसम्बर 1965 तक केन्द्रीय विश्वविद्यालयों द्वारा कितने व्यक्तियों को डाक्टर की सम्मानार्व डिग्नी दी गई हैं;
 - (ख) ये व्यक्ति किन वर्गों के हैं ;
- ं (ग) इन में संघ तथा राज्य मंत्रियों की संख्या क्या है ;
- (घ) क्या किसी ऐसे व्यक्ति को भी यह डिग्नीप्रदान की गई है जो सरकार विरोधी विचार रखता हो ;