

income thereon towards meeting the deficit of the Colleges. The Colleges have also been asked by the University that the Trusts should be required to contribute towards the deficit of the Colleges regularly.

The matter is also under consideration of the University Grants Commission.

Changes in Examination System of Delhi University

8985. SHRI R. K. BIRLA : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi University is making changes in the examination system in the near future ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the additional expenditure for having a change in the system ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (DR. V.K.R.V. RAO) : (a) and (b). The Academic Council of the University of Delhi at their meeting held on 20-4-1969 resolved, *inter-alia*, to restructure the courses for the B.A. (Pass), B.Sc. (General), B.A. (Hons.), B. Com. and B.Sc. (Hons.) for the batch of students to be admitted to these courses in July, 1969 so as to have an examination at the end of each year of the course covering the portion taught during that year.

The Council also resolved in principle to introduce "a Semester System" to take effect for students registering for the aforesaid courses, including the post-graduate courses, from the academic year 1970-71. However, such of the Departments of the University as were in a position to implement a Semester System from 1969-70 for the post-graduate courses, as also the Faculty of Technology in respect of Technological Courses, be allowed to do so.

Further details are being finalised by the University.

(c) The additional expenditure involved is yet to be worked out by the University.

National Institute of Education—Health, Education and Welfare Projects

8986. SHRI P. ANTONY REDDY :
SHRI G. S. REDDI :
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Will the Minister of EDUCATION

AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that one of the nine objectives of the National Institute of Education—Health, Education and Welfare projects—was conducting of tests for guidance and identification of talented children ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Review Committee of the National Council of Educational Research and Training has suggested that the techniques of identification of talent may have to be modified so as to ensure that the right types of candidates are selected under the Science Talent Search Scheme ;

(c) if so, the reasons why there is no co-ordination between these two ; and

(d) the purpose of the Evaluation Unit of the Department of Curriculum and Evaluation ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (DR. V.K.R.V. RAO) : (a) to (c). The main objective of the NIE-HEW research project is to develop certain psychological tools for identifying talented pupils in specific fields to help teachers and guidance workers in providing suitable opportunities for those pupils to develop their abilities. The tools when ready will be made freely available to all qualified users.

These psychological tools cannot be applied for selecting students for science talent scholarships because they are intended for guidance purposes only and science talent students are selected on a competitive basis mainly through special aptitude tests designed for the purpose. Further, since the psychological tools are to be made public they cannot be used for any competitive situation like the science talent search scheme.

The National Council is satisfied with the present procedures for selecting science talent students, but will improve upon them in the light of the recommendations of the Review Committee, as far as possible.

(d) The main purpose of the Evaluation Unit is to improve the measurement and pedagogical value of examinations.

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