

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

9885. 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

9886. SHRI P. ANTONY REDDY :
SHRI G. S. REDDI :
SHRIMATI B. RADHABAI :

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.

Publications Brought Out by N.C.E.R.T.

9887. SHRI P. ANTONY REDDY :

SHRI G. S. REDDI :
SHRIMATI B. RADHABAI :

Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state the number of printed publications brought out by the examination unit of the National Council of Educational Research and Training before the 1st May, 1966 and after it became an independent department ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (DR. V.K.R.V. RAO) : The Examination Reform Unit is not yet a full-fledged and independent Department of the National Council of Educational Research and Training. It is functioning as a part of the Department of Curriculum and Evaluation since August, 1966. Prior to that, Examination Reform work was initiated by the All India Council for Secondary Education in 1958 and after the All India Council was wound up, this work was taken over by the Directorate of Extension Programmes for Secondary Education and finally by NCERT in 1961. The number of publications brought out on Examination Reform is 58 before 1st May, 1966, and 114 from 1st May, 1966 to-date.

N.C.E.R.T.

8988. **SHRI P. ANTONY REDDY :**
SHRI G. S. REDDI :
SHRIMATI B. RADHABAI :

Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that one Officer who was sent to the United States for study on the expenditure borne by the National Council of Educational Research and Training had not completed the period of bond before she was again sent to the United States preparatory to resignation ; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (DR. V.K.R.V. RAO) : (a) and (b). There is no such case. Only one employee who had been trained in USA under the USAID Programme came back, served NCERT for about two years and has gone back to USA on her own, to join her husband. For this purpose, she has taken the leave due to her under NCERT rules. The terms of the bond executed by her are still in force.

**Department of Curriculum and Evaluation
of N.C.E.R.T.**

8989. **SHRI P. ANTONY REDDY :**
SHRI G. S. REDDI :
SHRIMATI B. RADHABAI :

Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state :

(a) how many times the Head of the Department of Curriculum and Evaluation of the National Council of Educational Research and Training has gone abroad during the last three years ; and

(b) the total duration of his absence from India during the year 1968-69 ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (DR. V.K.R.V. RAO) : (a) The present Department of Curriculum and Evaluation of the National Council of Educational Research and Training was set up in August, 1966. Since then, the Head of the Department has been abroad for five times for attending various international conferences in education. The entire expenditure on his visits was met by the Conference authorities.

(b) The total period of his deputation abroad for attending the conferences was 58 days during the period 1st January 1968 to 31st March 1969.

**Foreign Exchange Allotment to Badminton
Association of India for Participation in
Thomas Cup Match**

8990. **SHRI RAMAVTAR SHARMA :**
Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the All India Council of Sports turned down the request of Badminton Association of India for the sanction of Rs. 5000 in foreign exchange for participation of an Indian team in the Thomas Cup match against Indonesia ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the match has to be played in India ; and

(c) if so, the reasons for not sanctioning the amount to the Badminton Association of India ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (SHRI BHAKT DARSHAN) : (a) No, Sir. The question