

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:887

ANSWERED ON:27.02.2001

CHAIR IN HONOUR OF INDIAN POET

A. VENKATESH NAIK;ASHOK NAMDEORAO MOHOL;RAMSHETH THAKUR

**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether a 'Chair' in the honour of an Indian poet has been set up at University of Manchester in June 1995 to promote the Indian languages;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether now the University of Manchester has decided to scrap the said chair due to shortage of funds;

(d) if so, whether the Indian Government propose to provide funds of this 'Chair' keeping in view the exclusive dedication of the poet for Indian languages; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) & (b): No such chair was created in June 1995 with any financial assistance from the government of India.

(c) to (e): No such request for financial assistance is at present before the government.