

[Shri A.K. Balan]

Kerala. Had there been no such institution, Kathakali, Mohiniattam, Koodiyattam etc. would have gone to oblivion.

This institution has been the centre of attraction for the fans of classical arts all over the world. Kalamandalam has been propagating the various aspects of the cultural heritage of Kerala all over the world.

Hundreds of students and veteran teachers of eminence have dedicated their lives for the upliftment and propagation of these art forms. It is notable that Gurukula system of education exists here. The hon. Prime Minister herself has visited this institution and has congratulated the inmates for their excellent performance.

But it is rather unfortunate that this cultural centre is not getting its due consideration both from State and the Centre. The meagre amount which is extended by the State Government as grant is not sufficient at all for the survival of this institution.

So, I humbly urge upon the Centre to get Kalamandalam developed into a Tourist Centre and to start a Cultural University under the auspices of the Central Government.

(xi) **Increasing incidence of T.B. and need to open more T.B. Sanatorir.**

SHRI BHEEKHABHAI (Banswara) : Sir, I beg to submit that incident of TB is increasing in forest areas, particularly amongst the tribal people, due malnutrition, ill-clothing and unsafe conditions. It is on the increase day to day and the poor tribals who live in the interiors of hills and valleys cannot get the benefit of hospitalisation. Even mobile vans do not reach those innermost areas.

Since it is a contagious disease, the members of the entire family are affected and afflicted with this disease. Due to poverty neither they can go to the

TB hospital, nor they can defray any expenditure on various tests and chest X-rays.

I would, therefore, request the Government to set up TB sanatoria in the innermost tribal, hilly and backward areas to provide medicinal assistance to the rural poor.

**The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs,
Sports and Works and Housing**

(SHRI BUTA SINGH) : Hon. Members raised the question of the situation in Sri Lanka this morning and demanded a statement. The hon. Speaker also made some observations. So Government will come forward with a statement at 4.30 p.m.

12.35 hrs.

**MOTION RE : REPORT OF THE
EIGHTH FINANCE COMMISSION
AND MEMORANDUM SHOWING
ACTION TAKEN THEREON**

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER : The House will now take up the motion on the Eighth Finance Commission, moved by Shri Pranab Mukherjee on 1st August 1984. The time allotted is six hours. The Minister has already taken 60 seconds. He will continue his speech.

**THE MINISTER OF FINANCE
(SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) :** Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir,

**PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE
(Rajapur) :** Would you like to speak in the beginning or in the end ?

SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE : Obviously both.

Sir, while introducing a Motion like this, we are having a little unusual practice in the sense that normally the recommendations of the Finance Commission are being discussed along with the various Bills or amendments of the Bills, when they are being considered by the House after giving effect to the