

The Central Government does not provided financial assistance for appointment of teachers in Modern Indian languages other than Hindi in Hindi speaking states and information in this behalf is not maintained by the Central Government.

### Vacancies in Universities

\*559. SHRI SHIV SHARAN VARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item appearing in "Jansatta" dated 27 March, 1990 under the caption "Shiksha Vibhag Main Sab Khali Khali";

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto;

(c) by what time these vacancies in the various Universities and their Departments are likely to be filled; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). The position regarding the posts mentioned in the news item in 'Jansatta' of 27th March, 1990 is given below:

1. *Vice-Chancellor, Indira Gandhi National Open University.*

The order of appointment of Dr. V.C. Kulandaiswamy as Vice-Chancellor of IGNOU has been issued.

He is likely to assume his office shortly. The post fell vacant w.e.f. 6.10.89.

2. *Vice-Chancellor, Visva-Bharati.*

The letter of appointment of Prof. Ashin Das Gupta as Vice-Chancellor of Visva-Bharati has been issued. He is likely to assume his office shortly. The post fell vacant w.e.f. 1.12.89.

3.& 4. *Vice-Chancellor, Delhi University and Vice-Chairman, University Grants Commission*

Steps for filling up these offices are in advanced stages of action. The posts fell vacant w.e.f. 2.2.90 and 12.6.89 respectively.

5. *Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Jamia Millia Islamia*

Appointment of Pro-Vice-Chancellor in Jamia Millia Islamia is to be made by the Executive Council on the recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor. It is not obligatory that the position of Pro-Vice-Chancellor should be filled. The present Vice-Chancellor has not made any recommendation in this behalf.

6. *Chairman, Indian Council of Philosophical Research*

This position is not vacant.

7. *Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan*

The offer of appointment to the officer selected for appointment as Commissioner has already been sent. He is expected to join shortly. The post fell vacant w.e.f. 1.12.88.

8. *Director, National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration*

This position is not vacant.

9. *Director, National Council of Educational Research and Training*

The post of Director, NCERT, fell vacant on 22.2.90. Steps have been initiated for the selection of a successor.

10. *Director, National School of Drama*

Ms. Kirti Jain was appointed to officiate as Director w.e.f. 8th September, 1988 and she is continuing in that post.

11. *Director-General, Indian Council of Agricultural Research*

The post fell vacant at the end of March, 1990. Advance action was taken to fill up the post and the steps for selecting a fresh incumbent are under way.

12. *Indian Council of Life Science*

There does not appear to be any organisation of this name under the Central Government.

#### **Steps to clean Rivers**

\*560. SHRI MOHAN LAL JHIKRAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the rivers in the country in respect of which action plans are being implemented to clean them and since when;

(b) the extent of work done and the amount spent thereon so far;

(c) the time by which this work is likely to be completed and the estimated cost thereof;

(d) whether the Narmada river has also been included under the scheme to clean the waters of the rivers;

(e) if not, the reason therefor; and

(f) whether there is any future scheme to include this river thereunder?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI):

(a) Action Plans are being implemented for cleaning the Ganga, Narmada and Kshipra Rivers. The Ganga Action Plan is being implemented with a full grant from the Government of India and the work was started in 1985. The Narmada Action Plan is being implemented by the Government of Madhya Pradesh; this includes the cleaning of the Kshipra and the work was started in 1986.

(b) Under the Ganga Action Plan, 262 schemes have been sanctioned out of which 135 schemes have been completed. Of the 52 schemes sanctioned for Narmada and the 11 schemes for the Kshipra, works have been completed on 29 and 3 schemes respectively. The total expenditure incurred in the completed and the on-going works of the Ganga and Narmada Action Plan are Rs. 192 crores and Rs. 3.20 crores (upto February, 1990) respectively.

(c) The Works are scheduled to be completed in the Eighth Five Year Plan period. The estimated cost for the remaining works under the Ganga and the Narmada Action Plans is approximately Rs. 160 crores and Rs. 2.85 crores respectively.

(d) Yes, Sir.