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*Construction of Stadia in
Maharashtra And
Gujarat*

Sl. No.	Name of the State	Proj- ects sanct- ioned
1	Andhra Pradesh	1
2	Assam	1
3	Bihar	1
4	Haryana	1
5	Himachal Pradesh	1
6	Jammu & Kahmir	1
7	Karnatka	1
8	Kerala	1
9	Madhya Pradesh	1
10	Maharashtra	1
11	Orissa	1
12	Punjab	1
13	Tamilnadu	2
14	Uttar Pradesh	1
15	West Bengal	1
TOTAL :		16

Panel for Literacy Programme

161. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have formed a panel of 100 consultants to guide the total literacy programme ;

(b) if so, whether this panel has been asked to monitor the literacy programme which has been covered in 345 districts;

* (c) if so, whether there is a proposal under this programme to impart functional literacy to adult illiterates in the age group 'of 15—35 years;

(d) whether this programme is proposed to be completed by 1995 ; and

(e) if so, what is the total number of persons likely to be covered under the proposed scheme ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE

DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJI): (a) and (b) The Total T Heracy Campaign (TLC) is the principal strategy adopted for implementing literacy programme. Since the TLC is based upon a mass mobilisation approach in the campaign mode to involve all sections of the society to do voluntary work and to achieve total literacy in the given age-group within a specified time-frame, the NLM has alio tried to seek an *honorary* resource support for TLCs in the form of literacy consultants. A panel of more than 100 literacy consultants has been identified from amongst the officials who had actually implemented the TLCs, academicians, media persons, social activists, thinkers and scholars, artistes and civil servants.

Their role would, vary depending upon the phase of implementation of the project in a .given district.

<e) to (e) The National Literacy Mission (NLM) has the objective of providing functionall literacy to 80 million citizens in the age group of 15—35 covering 345 districts by the year 1995. It is proposed to cover 100 million persons' through this schsmbe by the end of the Eighth Five Year Plan.

! As of November 1993, TLCs have been i' aprirbved'felering 240 districts either fully or 'partially, throughtout the country.

Maintenance of Central Universities and Deemed Institutions

162. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPEMNT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the high level Committee of the UGC headed by Mr. Justice Punnayya has opposed any redufction in Government's role in the maintenance of the Central Universities and deemed institutions in his report submitted to the U.G.C. ;

(c) whether the UGC has accepted the Commities Report; if to, the details of the redommendations made by the Com-mittee and

(d) the reaction of Government is the mister

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) According to the information furnished by UGC, the High-Powered Committee appointed by the UGC under the Chairmanship of Justice K. Punnayya to examine the present financial situation regarding to Central Universities, Deemed Universities, Delhi Colleges and technical institution funded by the Government of India and to make recommendations about their financial needs has not submitted its report to the Commission as yet.

(c) and (d), Do not arise.

National Steering Committee on Text Books

163 CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state

(a) whether Government propose to elevate the status of the existing National Steering Committee on text-book evaluation to that of a National Commission vesting it with certain statutory powers to guard against the distortion of school text-books by State Governments on communal lines; and

(b) if so, when the National Commission is expected to be set up and what would be the composition of the Commission?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMAR SELJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The process of setting up of the National Commission requires a number of procedural steps including consultations with the concerned Ministries of Government of India. As such, it is not possible to give a definite list for establishment of the Commission and its exact composition.

Scheme for Promoting Youth Activities in Tamil Nadu

164. SHRI S. AUSTIN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that special scheme for promoting youth activities in the backward and rural areas in the country had been started ; and

(b) if so, what is the amount spent on youth activities in backward and rural areas of Tamil Nadu ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MUKUL WASNIK): (a) Yes, Sir. A new scheme by the name of Special scheme for Promotion of youth activities among the youth of Backward Tribes was started in the year 199- 91 with a budget estimates of Rs. 1.0 crore.

(b) A sum of Rs. 4.1.0 lakh was, spent by way of grants by the, Govt. in Tamil Nadu since 1990-91 on the youth activities among backward tribes,

National Nutrition Policy

165. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to State

(a) whether Government have approved the National Nutrition Policy;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof; and

(c) by when it is likely to be implemented