

Cabinet decision is circumscribed by the judicial advice. I do not agree with this philosophy. The Cabinet governs the country and I would very much like that the Cabinet should have the final say. But this is either by way of review by a larger Bench, and I am prepared, if a consensus emerges from both sides that we should restore that 1993 position. ... (Interruptions)... But there again, it should not be a fight like that on the Office of Profit Bill. We should be sincere.

श्री शरद यादव: किस कंसेंसस की जरूरत है? कौन से कंसेंसस की जरूरत है? आपोज़िशन की सबसे बड़ी पार्टी के बहुत एमीनेंट मੈबर हैं, उन्होंने कहा है, अब कौन सी बात आप कह रहे हैं। सबकी आम सहमति है, आपकी आम सहमति है।

श्री हंसराज भारद्वाज: यादव जी, आप सुनिए। मेरा तजुर्बा आम सहमति का बहुत खराब रहा है। पिछले दिनों मुझसे कहा कुछ और हुआ कुछ। श्री अमर सिंह जी ने कहकर मुझे let down किया, office of profit में ... (व्यवधान)... मैं आगे दोबारा ... (व्यवधान)...

श्री अमर सिंह: सभापति जी, इन्होंने मेरा नाम लिया है, इसलिए मुझे सफाई देने का मौका मिलना चाहिए ... (व्यवधान)... देखिए, उत्तर प्रदेश में office of profit का ... (व्यवधान)...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

श्री अमर सिंह: पहले कांग्रेस ने मुझे let down किया है, उत्तर प्रदेश में बिल पास नहीं होने दिया। श्रीमती जया बच्चन को निकालकर, मुझे let down किया ... (व्यवधान)...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over. Papers to be laid on the Table.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

Lowest literacy districts in A.P.

*365. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that eight districts of Andhra Pradesh have been identified as having the lowest literacy rate;

(b) if so, the details of such districts;

(c) whether the above districts have been identified under Special Literacy Drive launched in April, 2005; and

(d) if so, to what extent this drive would help to bring the above districts out of 'lowest literacy' tag?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b) 150 districts of the country, which have the lowest literacy rates as per 2001 Census, have been identified for taking up a Special Literacy Drive for the residual illiterates in 15 to 35 age group. The following eight districts of Andhra Pradesh have also been included in the low literacy districts for special intervention:

1. Mahboobnagar
2. Vizianagaram
3. Medak
4. Adilabad
5. Kurnool
6. Karimnagar
7. Srikakulam
8. Nizamabad

(c) and (d) The Government of India has sanctioned a project for eradication of residual illiteracy in all the eight special literacy drive districts. According to the information received from the State Government 17.88 lakh persons have been enrolled under this programme. Concerted efforts are being made through various literacy programmes to raise the literacy levels in these districts.

Caste-specific UGC schemes

*366. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether UGC has launched, formulated, announced numerous caste-specific fellowships, scholarships, grants, financial aid, subsidies for individual scholars and students and teachers in the fiscal year 2006-07;

(b) the tabulated figures, numbers, categories and other details for such schemes of UGC related to caste-specific people in 2006-07;