

The Science and Technology Sub-Commission discussed possibilities of joint work in areas of agriculture, energy, health, electronics, materials and meteorology, environment and scientific information exchange. It recommended the exchange of information through seminars, training programmes and development of methodologies in scientific information systems.

The Education and Cultural Sub-Commission hoped that there would be a progressive increase in the number of fellowships and visitorships; agreed to explore possibilities of holding joint seminars during 1977-78 and in subsequent years in identified subjects; recommended consideration of strengthening cooperation in the exchange of exhibitions and documentary and training films; proposed the exchange of feature films and screening of selected Indian films on American TV; suggested the arranging of festivals of Indian films in US cities and universities and agreed to explore possibilities for further collaboration in exchange of persons in literary and performing arts as well as fostering institutional contact and collaboration in selected areas.

**Employment opportunities for the educated unemployed**

\*113. SHRI SAT PAUL MITTAL :  
SHRIMATI LAKSHMI  
KUMARI CHUNDAWAT :

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of educated unemployed has considerably increased during the year 1975-76;

(b) what is the number of educated unemployed registered with the employment exchanges as on 31st March, 1976; and

(c) what is the number of such unemployed persons who are Matriculates, Graduates and post-Graduates?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI K. V. RAGHUNATHA REDDY) : (a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

**Statement**

(a) to (c) Precise estimates in regard to the number of educated unemployed are not available. The available information relates to the number of educated job-seekers (all of whom are not necessarily unemployed) on the Live Register of Employment Exchanges which had increased from 41.75 lakhs as on 31-12-1974 to 47.84 lakhs as on 31-12-1975. These 47.84 lakhs educated job seekers included 38.59 lakhs matriculates (including Higher Secondary/Intermediates), 8.52 lakhs graduates and 0.73 lakhs post-graduates.

\*Note.—1. Matriculates and above.

2. The data relating to educated job-seekers on the Live Register of Employment Exchanges are being collected at half-yearly intervals ending 30th June and 31st December each year.

3. Excludes figures in respect of University Employment Information and Guidance Bureaux except for two in Delhi.

4. Figures relating to December 1975 are provisional.

**Allotment of chemical raw material of Hindustan Steel Ltd. to small units**

\*114. SHRI GANESH LAL MALI : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state what steps Government propose to take to assist the small scale units under the 20-Point Economic Programme by way of allocation of chemical raw materials produced by the Hindustan Steel Limited to such units?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI CHANDRAJIT YADAV) : Hindustan Steel Ltd. have reported that by-product chemicals produced in their