

(c) and (d) The information is given below :—

Year	Worker-Teachers trained	Workers trained	Workers trained in short term programmes
1970-71	(i) Public Sector—90	3,848	1,455
	(ii) Private Sector—31	3,645	306
	TOTAL	121	1,761
1971-72	(i) Public Sector—70	4,155	880
	(ii) Private Sector—37	1,665	107
	TOTAL	107	987

861. [Transferred to the 10th May, 1973.]

†CULTURAL CO-OPERATION

84. SHRI KALI MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indo-Soviet Cultural Society (I.S.C.U.S.) and the Union of Soviet Cultural Society (U.S.C.S.) signed a plan for cultural co-operation in 1973;

(b) if so, the salient features of the plan; and

(c) whether any such plan with any other country has also been signed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The two organisations will promote and strengthen friendship and co-operation between the peoples of the two countries by acquainting them with the life, history, culture and development of science and technology of the other. In order to achieve this objective, exchanges of delegations, teachers, public personalities, scientists, students and artists are envisaged. Exchanges of books, films and photographic exhibits are also proposed.

(c) The Indo-GDR Society has an agreement with its counterpart organisation. Government is not aware of any similar plan with any other country.

‡TRAINING PLACES FOR SKILLED MAN-POWER

254. SHRI K. L. N. PRASAD : Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to create about 2,00,000 training places for apprentices to meet the need of skilled man-power during the Fifth Five Year Plan period?

(b) whether Government also propose to train 2,000 workers in 25 Industrial Units;

(c) the number of persons who have been imparted training as apprentices during the last two years; and

(d) what is the total number of industries and trades that are covered under the Apprenticeship Act?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI G. VENKAT-SWAMY) (a) Under the Apprentices Act, 1961, training places are located in designated trades by means of surveys in the establishments covered under the Act. The target of training places to be located during the Fifth Five Year Plan has not yet been fixed.

(b) No.

(c) The number of apprentices undergoing training during 1971 and 1972 was 45,582 and 52,544 respectively.

(d) Industries 201
Trades 61

†Transferred from the 2nd May, 1973.

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