

The main ingredients of the programme are :—

- (i) Transformation of the Educational System ;
- (ii) Improvement of standards ;
- (iii) Initiation of a comprehensive programme of pre-school development meant specially for the under-privileged social groups ;
- (iv) The provision of universal primary education in the age-group 6—11 by 1975-76 and in the age-group 6—14 by 1980-81 ;
- (v) The adoption of the uniform pattern of school and college classes viz. 10+2+3 in all States and Union Territories ;
- (vi) Vocationalisation of education at the higher secondary stage and introduction of work-experience as an integral part of education at school stage.
- (vii) The development of a national scholarships policy so that the talented students and especially those coming from most deprived sections of the community are assisted to receive the best school and university education ;
- (viii) The launching of a youth movement for the population in the age-group 14-25 ;
- (ix) Reorganisation of collegiate and university education ;
- (x) Development of technical education ;
- (xi) Introduction of large scale programme of National Social Service; and
- (xii) Strengthening of the administrative machinery to plan and implement this significant programme of expansion and qualitative improvement.

These proposals are now under the consideration of the Planning Commission and the Government.

WORKING CAPACITY OF MODREN BAKERIES LTD.

1049. SHRI SARDAR AMJAD ALI :
SHRI HIMMAT SINGH :
SHRI HARSH DEO MALAVIYA

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of units of Modern Bakeries (India) Ltd., working in the different States ; and

(b) how much of their capacity is being utilised ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHAB SHINDE) : (a) Nine.

(b) The total capacity of the Modern Bakeries is more than fully utilised, although in certian individual units there is some slight under-utilisation. The company is making vigorous efforts for full utilization in such cases also.

CLOSURE OF ALIGARH MUSLIM UNIVERSITY

1050. SHRI DEBANANDA AMAT :
SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO :
SHRI DAHYA BHAI V. PATEL :
SHRI S. A. KHAJA MOHIDEEN :
SHRI LOKANATH MISRA :
SHRI SUNDAR MANI PATEL :
SHRI SITARAM KESRI :
SHRI M. K. MOHTA :
SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV :

Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Aligarh Muslim University has been closed indefinitely following a standstill in the academic life in the University ;

(b) the reasons for the closure ; and

(c) whether any solution of its problem has been found out ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (PROF. NURUL HASAN) : (a) and (b) A copy of a statement dated April 5, 1973 issued by the Vice-Chancellor, Aligarh Muslim University on the closure of the University, is attached.

(c) At its meeting held on April 7, 1973, the Executive Council of the University decided to take necessary steps for reopening the University and bringing normalcy as early as possible. The High Schools maintained by the University and its Medical College have been reopened with effect from April 17 and April 23, 1973 respectively. The teaching in Pre-Medical Course has started with effect from May 1, 1973 and the Examination will start from July 1, 1973. Some classes in the Faculty of Commerce