

to increasing student participation in the organisation and administration of higher education;

(4) Promoting national consciousness among students and providing them with adequate and challenging opportunities to participate in programmes of community service or national development; and

(5) Adequate organisation of student services.

The Report of the Education Commission is now under the active consideration of Government.]

RECOGNITION TO NEW UNIVERSITIES IN ORISSA

293. SHRI BANKA BEHARY DAS: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the University Grants Commission and the Government propose to accord recognition to the new Universities at Sambalpur and Berhampore in Orissa which started functioning from January last; and

(b) if so, by when the final decision is expected to be taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (DR. TRIGUNASEN): (a) and (b) The two Universities have been established by State legislation and any question of recognition by the University Grants Commission or Government of India does not arise. This was contrary to the advice given by the Central Government. The State Government have, however, now approached the University Grants Commission j Central Government for *ex-post-facto* approval. The matter is under consideration.

JOB SECURITY IN THE FOREIGN OIL COMPANIES

294. SHRI NIREN GHOSH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the managements of the foreign oil companies have held any discussions with the unions of their employees on the issue of job security as per decision of the Government; and

(b) whether Government have taken any steps to convene a Tripartite Conference to consider the issue of job security in foreign oil companies and if so, what?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI JAISUKH-LAL HATHI): (a) Yes.

(b) A tripartite meeting is proposed to be held on April 28, 1967.

MINING ENGINEERS WHO APPEARED FOR EXCHANGE CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS

295. SHRI NIREN GHOSH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of mining engineers who appeared for exchange certificate examinations every year from 1962 to 1965;

(b) how many of these candidates passed in first chance every year; and

(c) how many of the failed candidates during that period had their mining education in the U.K.?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI JAISUKH-LAL HATHI): (a) 29 appeared in 1962, 43 in 1963, 19 in 1964 and 20 in 1965.

(b) 4 passed in the first chance in 1962, 5 in 1963, 1 in 1964 and 2 in 1965.

(c) Information about the failed candidates who had obtained their University education in mining in U.K. is not available. All these candidates had, however, obtained U.K. First Class Managers' Certificate by virtue of practical experience in U.K. Mines, where mining conditions are different from those in India.