

think that considering the general salaries of teachers, the salaries which these graduates get are quite adequate.

श्री विमलकुमार मन्नालालजी चौरङ्गिया :
क्या श्रीमान् जी यह बतायेंगे कि अमरावती या जहाँ पर इस प्रकार की ट्रेनिंग दी जाती है, डिप्लोमा दिया जाता है, वहाँ के विद्यार्थियों की योग्यता में और यहाँ के विद्यार्थियों की योग्यता में फर्क है ?

डा० कालू लाल श्रीमाली : यह प्रश्न इस प्रश्न से उठता नहीं है और इस वक्त मेरे लिये यह मुकाबिला करना मुश्किल है ।

SHRI R. S. KHANDEKAR: May I know to which University is this college affiliated?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: The Ujjain University.

SCHEME FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF READING HABIT AMONG THE SCHOOL-GOING CHILDREN

*352. **SHRIMATI DEVAKI GOPIDAS:** Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any definite scheme for the development of reading habit among the school-going children from the primary school stage; and

(b) if so, the details of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (DR. K. L. SHRIMALI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

SHRIMATI DEVAKI GOPIDAS: May I know whether the Government will consider this?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: No. Government does not propose to consider this.

SHRI ARJUN ARORA: It is said that the Government has no scheme for encouraging reading habits among the primary school students. May I know if the Government is fostering any scheme to encourage reading habits among university students?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: Reading habits should be encouraged by the schools and educational institutions. It is not the function of the Government to do it. Government's function is to provide schools and it is the schools which should encourage reading habits.

PRODUCTION OF AUTOMOBILES

*353. **SHRI DAHYABHAI V. PATEL:** Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the action taken or proposed to be taken by Government to increase the production of automobiles so as to meet the growing demand in the country;

(b) whether production of automobiles has been stepped up during the last two years, and if so, to what extent; and

(c) what is the present position with regard to the country's demand and production in automobiles?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY INDUSTRIES (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

(a) The existing units manufacturing trucks, buses and jeep vehicles have been/are being licensed to expand their installed capacity consistent with the targets laid down in the Third Five Year Plan. Necessary foreign exchange for the import of essential capital goods for the purpose as well as for increasing the indigenous content in the vehicles is also being provided as far as possible within the limited foreign exchange