

employment in military service would be of greater value to the country than their continuance in civil posts.

MACHINE TOOL PLANT IN KERALA

*485. SHRI M. N. GOVINDAN NAIR: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have under consideration a proposal to set up a Machine Tool Plant in Kerala;

(b) if so, what is the estimated cost of the scheme; and

(c) what will be the production capacity and the employment potential of the plant?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND HEAVY INDUSTRIES (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM): (a) to (c) Government have under consideration a proposal to establish another machine tool factory in the public sector. The feasibility of locating the factory in Kerala is being examined. The estimated cost of the project is Rs. 7.50 crores with a foreign exchange content of Rs. 175 lakhs. The factory will have a capacity of 1,000 machine tools per annum and is expected to employ about 3,000 persons.

ADDITIONAL INCREMENTS TO THE LECTURERS OF THE CENTRAL UNIVERSITIES

*486. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 227 in the Rajya Sabha on the 15th November, 1962 and state:

(a) whether Government have since taken any decision regarding additional increments to those lecturers of Banaras, Aligarh and Delhi Universities who are adversely affected as a result of the fixation of their pay on 1st April 1960; and

(b) if so, what is the decision taken?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (DR. K. L. SHRIMALI): (a) and (b) The University Grants Commission, who have had this question under consideration, have since decided that in cases where the salary of a teacher is reduced or is likely to be reduced as a result of fixation of his pay in the revised scale, the difference may be made good by grant of personal pay to be absorbed in future increments. The scales of pay were revised with effect from the 1st April, 1961 and not from the 1st April, 1960 as stated in part (a) of the question.

THREE-YEAR DEGREE COURSE SCHEME IN UTTAR PRADESH

447. SHRI KRISHNA CHANDRA: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal from the Government of Uttar Pradesh for introducing three-year degree course without disturbing the existing pattern of secondary education, i.e., High School and Intermediate courses of two years each, has been accepted by Government and the University Grants Commission; and

(b) if so, when the proposal is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (DR. K. L. SHRIMALI): (a) and (b) The University Grants Commission, in consultation with the Ministry of Education, has accepted in principle the proposal of the Government of Uttar Pradesh of introducing three-year degree course scheme without disturbing the existing pattern of secondary education; that is, two years of High School followed by two years of Intermediate. The University Grants Commission has appointed a Committee to consider the detailed financial proposals submitted by the State Government for introduction of the three-year degree course in the four State-Universities of Uttar Pradesh.