

in the State Sector are sanctioned on the basis of expenditure figures for four main Groups, namely, Elementary Education, Secondary Education, University Education and Other Education Schemes.

(c) The State Governments furnish quarterly and annual reports for different sectors of their Plans. These reports, however, do not discuss in detail the working of each scheme.

SHRI J. H. JOSHI: The statement says:

"Maharashtra	101
Rajasthan	62

Information from Gujarat is awaited."

May I know whether the information about Gujarat will be supplied as soon as it is available?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: Yes, Sir, as soon as it is available, it will be placed on the Table of the House.

SHRI J. H. JOSHI: May I know the total cost incurred on these 101 schools in Maharashtra and 62 schools in Rajasthan after assistance at the rate of 60 per cent. of the expenditure has been received?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: I am afraid I do not have these figures.

SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN: When was the information from Maharashtra received?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: When the question is sent to us we get the information from the State Governments and I do not have the exact date on which the information was received.

HISTORY OF FREEDOM MOVEMENT

*122. SHRI LILA DHAR BAROOAH: Will the Minister of SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress so far made in the publication of History of Freedom Movement;

(b) whether it is a fact that a National Bibliography of Freedom Fighters is also proposed to be published;

(c) whether it is a fact that the State Governments have been asked to collect materials for this purpose; and

(d) whether the Government of Assam have sent any report in this connection?

THE MINISTER OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS (SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR): (a) The first volume of the History of Freedom Movement is ready and has been sent to the publishers.

(b) and (c) This question is under examination in consultation with the State Governments.

(d) No, Sir.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: May I know, Sir, why there has been so much of delay in preparing these volumes? May I also know when we can expect the other volumes to come out and whether it would be possible for our grand-children to see the last volume?

SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR: The book is in three volumes. The first one has already been sent to the publishers; we expect the second volume in about a year's time and the third a year after that. It is for the hon. Member who has no grand-children to decide whether he will wait to see his grand-children read them or not.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: Is it a fact that the delay was partly due to the fact that there were serious differences amongst the members of the committee responsible for bringing out this work and that the Government did not initially take any steps in this regard? I want to know whether these differences have been resolved.

SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR: The book is being written by one scholar, and so the question of difference does not arise.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: Is it a fact that a board was constituted in order to prepare this matter, and that at one time even the Government did not have much faith in this kind of arrangement? Is that a fact? That is what I want to know.

SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR: A Board of Editors was appointed but it was mainly to supervise the collection of information. It is quite obvious that a Board cannot write a book.

DR. A. N. BOSE: What period of the freedom struggle is covered by the first volume?

SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR: The first volume, I am speaking subject to correction, I think comes up to 1840.

DR. A. N. BOSE: In how many volumes is this history to be completed?

MR. CHAIRMAN: He has said that; three volumes.

DR. RAGHUBIR SINH: Who is going to be the publisher?

SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR: The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.

SCREENING OF INDIAN STUDENTS GOING ABROAD FOR STUDIES

*123. { SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA:†
DR. Z. A. AHMAD;
DR. R. B. GOUR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to introduce a system of screening students who wish to go abroad for studies; and

†The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri Bhupesh Gupta.

(b) whether Government have received any communication from the Indian Ambassador in the United States of America in this connection?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (DR. K. L. SHRIMALI): (a) The matter is under consideration; and

(b) no, Sir.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: May I know whether the attention of the Education Ministry has been drawn to a newspaper report to the effect that a communication did come from the Indian Ambassador?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: I have categorically denied that we have received any communication.

SHRI N. M. LINGAM: May I know the provocation for Government to even think of considering the question of screening students?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: The main consideration is foreign exchange. At the present moment when we want to conserve every bit of foreign exchange, it is most essential that only those students should go who can derive the maximum benefit from studies there.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: The main consideration is foreign exchange. All right, I can understand, but what relevance has the Home Ministry's police report got to do with foreign exchange? Why are you examining the police reports before deciding on the question whether a particular student should go abroad or not?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: The Home Ministry is concerned with the fundamental security of the country and on security grounds they may have considered, I do not know.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: May I know as to how the security of India will be affected . . .

MR. CHAIRMAN: There is your next question.