

RAJYA SABHA

Tuesday, 29th April 1958

The House met at eleven of the clock, MR. CHAIRMAN in the Chair.

MEMBER SWORN

Shri H. D. Rajah (Madras)

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

*87. [The questioner (Shri Perath Narayanan Nair) was absent. For answer, vide col. 842 infra.]

GOVERNMENT'S DECISION ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHAGLA COMMISSION REGARDING APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMEN OF CORPORATIONS DESIGNED TO RUN OF COMMERCIAL LINES.

*88. SHRI V. K. DHAGE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have arrived at any decision on the recommendation of the Chagla Commission that the Chairmen of the Corporations in the public sector designed to run on commercial lines should be appointed from persons who have business and financial experience; and

(b) if so, what is that decision?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The question does not arise.

SHRI V. K. DHAGE: May I know, Sir, whether the Government has made any approaches in this regard to any of the industrialists?

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT: No, Sir.

*89. [For answer, vide cols. 833—835 infra.]

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ESTABLISHMENT OF ENGINEERING COLLEGES

*90. SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of engineering colleges established in the country during 1957-58; and

(b) the number of engineering colleges proposed to be started during 1958-59?

THE MINISTER OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS (SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR):

(a) Three new engineering colleges started functioning in 1957-58.

(b) A final decision has not yet been taken in the matter. The All India Council for Technical Education has, however, approved recently, schemes for the establishment of seventeen new engineering colleges during the rest of the plan period. It is expected that some of these institutions will start functioning during 1958-59.

Arrangements are also being made to start the Western Higher Technological Institute at Bombay during 1958-59.

SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: May I know, Sir, the State-wise break-up of the proposed engineering colleges?

SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR: Sir, in 1956-57 there was one college which was established at Nagpur, another at Patiala, a third at Raipur, a fourth at Burla, a fifth at Waltair, a sixth at Gauhati, a seventh at Coimbatore and an eighth at Ludhiana. In 1957-58 there was one at Gwalior, another at Madura and a third at Manipal near Udipi, Mysore.

As for others, under a Central scheme it is proposed to establish eight colleges of which two will be in each region.