

Senior Basic Curricula

*1547. **Shri Lladhar Koteki:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state what steps have been taken by Central Government to fit the Senior Basic Curricula in the lower classes of Secondary Schools so that pupils passing out from senior basic schools can conveniently join secondary schools?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): The State Governments have been advised to follow the same syllabus in both Basic and Non-Basic schools, if they are not already doing so, so that the Senior Basic students can join Secondary Schools with the same ease as others.

University Degrees

*1548. **M. K. Ghosh:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether the system of mutual recognition of degrees exists among all the Universities of India; and

(b) if not, whether Government intends to introduce such a system of recognition?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): (a) and (b). There is no automatic mutual recognition of degrees of different Universities established by law in India. Each University is an autonomous body in the matter of recognition of degrees of other Universities and no outside authority can enforce any equivalence on them.

Economy Committee

*1549. **Shri Supakar:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) the work done so far by the Economy Committee set up for effecting economy in the various departments of the Ministry of Finance; and

(b) the amount likely to be saved as a consequence of the suggestions of the Committee?

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha): (a) and (b). A statement containing the required information is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 57.]

Naval Establishments

*1550. **Shri U. C. Patnaik:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to "Jane's Fighting Ships" 1955-56 and 1956-57 editions, giving details of India's naval establishments;

(b) whether the facts mentioned therein are correct; and

(c) whether the information contained therein was furnished under the authority of Government?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Shri Raghuramaiah): (a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) 'Jane's Fighting Ships' is a standard publication which contains detailed information concerning the maritime forces of almost all countries of the world. It has been the practice for the Indian Navy, in common with the Navies of other countries, to supply material for publication every year.

होशंगाबाद का उप-निर्वाचन

*१५५१. श्री जांगड़े: क्या बिधि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) मध्य प्रदेश को होशंगाबाद निर्वाचन क्षेत्र में लोक-सभा का उप-निर्वाचन कब होगा; और

(ख) क्या इस निर्वाचन की तिथि निर्धारित करते समय उक्त निर्वाचन क्षेत्र की यातायात सम्बन्धी कठिनाइयों और उन कठिनाइयों को ध्यान में रखा गया है जो नदियों में बाढ़ और वर्षा इत्यादि के कारण पैदा हो जाती हैं?