

4. Mal-practices and doctoring of minutes etc.

The Board of Governors of I.I.T. Delhi constituted a two-men Committee to examine the allegations and submit a report.

Infiltration and Activities of American C.I.A. in I.I.T. Campus, Delhi .

3759. SHRI JAGANNATH RAO

JOSHI:

DR. LAXMINARAIN

PANDEYA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Institute of Technology, New Delhi authorities received written complaints from some of its Professors regarding alleged infiltration and activities of American C.I.A. in the Indian Institute of Technology campus;

(b) whether the matter has been investigated; and

(c) if so, the facts revealed and action taken?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (PROF. S. NURUL HASAN): (a) to (c). According to the information received from the Institute, one such complaint had been made. The matter was investigated, but the charge could not be substantiated.

Enquiry into an Alleged negotiation by a Delhi I.I.T. Professor with a U.K. source for Foreign Funds

3760. DR. LAXMINARAIN PANDEYA: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Delhi I.I.T. Professor allegedly had directly negotiated with a U.K. source for £ 58,000 in violation of rules governing foreign funds and that an appointment of a Research Assistant was made against the expected grant;

(a) whether some enquiry has been intimated to investigate all such allegations; and

(c) if so, its terms of reference, time-limit to submit the report, facts known so far and action taken by now?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (PROF. S. NURUL HASAN): (a) to

(c). On the basis of exploratory discussions, the Professor in the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences undertook to prepare detailed research design with appropriate bibliographic documentation and other relevant data of technical nature for the following studies:—

- (1) Research studies on a project level on the theme "Special Change in India" to be financed by Indian Council of Social Sciences Research.
- (2) Collaborative research in the area of Pattern of Urbanisation with the Joint Unit for Planning Research, University College, London and the Centre for Environmental Studies, London to be financed by the Nuffield Foundation, London and the Social Sciences Research Council, London.

For this purpose the Professor concerned asked for a research grant of Rs. 2,000 from the Institute funds with permission to employ a Research Assistant. The Institute allowed one of the vacant post of Senior Research Assistant to be utilized by the Humanities and Social Sciences Department for the purpose. The Institute has stated that sometime Professors do informally discuss possible collaborative activities with other organisations in their respective field of academic interest. However, such collaboration with any foreign organisation is formally accepted only after consulting the Government and obtaining their approval. In this particular case since it did not go beyond the exploratory stage, the matter was dropped.*