

Editorial

Administration Reforms Commission set up under Mr. Morarji Desai may ensure that Engineers are not debarred from undertaking responsibility commensurate with their profession. They are seldom given any administrative task which are mainly reserved for I. A. S. Engineers have to answer to non-engineers like I.A.S. and Accounts Officers for execution of their work. This produces fettering effect and decelerates progress. Engineers should be given full charge of administration in matter of technical education and training, irrigation, building, agriculture, etc.,

Engineers should be encouraged to compete in the I. A. S, examinations by suitably amending the subjects of examination. All-India service for management personnel (Indian Management Service) should be introduced and competitive examination held for the purpose. The syllabus should be suitable for engineers.

Technical education should be separated from general education in the centre and in the state. Technical education in the state should be under the education ministry and include administration of vocational educational institutes also.

The grades of Principals of engineering college, Director of Technical Education should be on par with that of chief engineer and Principals of engineering schools (polytechnics) on par with that of superintending engineers. There should be uniformity in designation, rank and grade in all states. The retiring age should be 65 in technical institutions.

There should be external degree examination by universities, like the London University, to develop engineering education. Comparable titles and correspondence course degree are not equal in status to University degree, however equal it may be in acquisition of knowledge.