

I.D.S. News

INTRODUCTION

Most readers will receive a copy of the Institute's Annual Report around the same time as this Bulletin. It contains fairly detailed reports of a number of recent events, such as the Crisis in Planning Conference, and supplements much of the news in this section of the Bulletin. The summer has been fairly quiet at the Institute, with a number of people away on holiday or doing work overseas. Those remaining at Stanmer have been consolidating and tying up loose ends rather than initiating new work.

The beginning of the new academic year will bring a number of changes in staff. The Bulletin's Editor, Martin Staniland, who has been responsible for building the magazine from a few lithoed pages edited and laid out with scissors and gum to its present rather more respectable form, is unfortunately leaving IDS and Sussex to take up the post as Lecturer in Politics at the University of Glasgow. He will be missed, not least by the Bulletin and its readership. The question of his successor as Editor is being discussed by the IDS Publications Committee, and will be announced in our next issue.

Other Staff Movements

Since June, Percy Selwyn has been in Lesotho, helping with the preparation of a development plan, and with establishing the machinery for implementing it. Raymond Apthorpe left the Institute in July to direct the African studies on rural cooperation for the UN Research Institute for Social Development in Geneva.

During the summer we have been joined by Brian Van Arkadie, who returns from Tanzania where he has been assisting with the drafting of the recently-published Second Development Plan; by Charles Cooper from the Directorate of Scientific Affairs at O.E.C.D. in Paris, who is shared with the Science Policy Research Unit of

the University of Sussex; Paul Kennedy who was with the Department of Sociology of the University of Ghana joins us to continue his research on management and enterprise in the public and private sectors of Ghana; and David Steele took up a home-based post and is now working in Kenya as Economic Adviser in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

In October Richard Symonds leaves the Institute to take up a post as Representative in Europe of the Executive Director of UNITAR; and Tommy Gee leaves us for two years to work as Development Officer in the new University of the South Pacific. His place as Administrative Secretary will be taken by Benet Jacobs, at present Professor of Local Government at the University of Mauritius.

Other new staff are expected in October. Emanuel de Kadt, a sociologist specialising in Latin America, comes to us from LSE. Another Latin American expert is Shepard Forman from Indiana University, who will be a Visiting Fellow. Douglas Ashford, Associate Director of the Center for International Studies at Cornell has also joined us as a Visiting Fellow. Bernard Phiri, from Malawi, is working with Hans Singer for three months on the employment problems of his own country.

New Research Assistants include Ronald Brigh, working in the problem area of national planning and administration; Marguerite Garling working as a bibliographical assistant in the library; and Fiona Wilson, working with Hans Singer on questions of trade and aid. Michael Moore will work with Michael Lipton on village studies.

Richard Stern, with us this past year as a Research Assistant, will be working during the coming year under a Ministry of Overseas Development scheme for junior economists. Philip O'Brien from the Ministry will join us under the same scheme.

Hamza Alavi, a Research Officer who has been engaged in field work in Pakistan, has been asked by the Government there to join them for some months to

work on problems of rural development. After this assignment he will complete his own research. David Lehmann, who has been examining the impact of the agrarian reform on rural social structure in Chile, returns to IDS in the autumn to write up his work.

STUDY SEMINARS

Reports

SS 8 Development Planning: Employment, Education and Manpower. 4th - 13th June, Makerere College, Uganda.

The seminar in Kampala, arranged by Richard Jolly with a local Advisory Committee set up by the Social Science Council of the University of East Africa, was enjoyable and successful, and its impact and practical relevance was greatly increased by holding it in a developing country. The Seminar was organised to assist officials from the developing countries to study intensively problems related to manpower and educational planning in their own fields of operation, and it became apparent that there were several major advantages in holding it overseas:

- one could draw on local expertise, research and experience of persons currently working in the region;
- field visits could be integrated with the Seminar programme, providing a chance to relate classroom discussion to field situations and a chance to learn by seeing. Two case studies were based on field trips, and these brought home forcefully that manpower planning for a particular sector can only be undertaken realistically with a good deal of specific knowledge from the field, combined with a keen awareness of the central issues;
- local officials could attend as observers, and the whole impact of the Seminar extended beyond the participants themselves;

- the environment continually reinforced and illuminated what was discussed in the classroom.

At the end of the Seminar participants produced a report of the basic conclusions which had emerged, together with a summary of the Seminar's main activities.

SS 9 Project Planning and Evaluation 11th May - 13th June.

This Seminar, organised by Leonard Joy and George Irvin, also centred on a topic of great relevance to governments of developing countries. One of its most useful aspects was felt to be its concern with the role of cost-benefit analysis in the total decision-making and implementation process. The case studies and syndicate work on the Lower Indus Basin project, and the simulation of a bargaining exercise based on the North Sea gas project, were particularly valuable.

SS 10 Population Control: Performance, Policies and Techniques 15th June - 18th July.

Twenty-five participants attended this Seminar which was directed by David Eversley with assistance from Michael Carder and Fred Sukdeo. The majority of participants were administrators involved in the running of national programmes; others were demographers, doctors running family planning programmes, or aid administrators. There were however no participants from India or from sub-Saharan Africa. A survey taken towards the end of the Seminar indicated that participants had appreciated in particular its international and interdisciplinary nature. The opportunity to discuss general problems with people from different cultures, regions and especially disciplines, was appreciated more than the acquisition of the new techniques or information.

Participants' field visits varied: those who spent time at UNESCO in Paris found the visit valuable. Others who went to different parts of Britain, staying with families and seeing the work of ordinary family planning clinics felt their time had been less usefully spent. Within the Seminar programme some felt that insufficient time was spent on Latin America, and on the

problems of communication within family planning programmes. However, the Seminar seemed to succeed in making participants more aware of the fact that family planning is just one aspect of population policy, and that the transition from high to low fertility depends on a range of social and economic forces, particularly education.

The Seminar participants most kindly presented the Institute with a silver wine coaster.

Future Study Seminars

26th October - 28th November 1969

Study Seminar 11 : Implementing Development Plans (Director of Studies: Bernard Schaffer)

Recruiting is now completed for this Seminar, details of which were given in Bulletin No. 4. Thirty participants are expected to attend.

15th February - 21st March 1970

Study Seminar 12: Finance and the Resources for Economic Development II (Director of Studies: Michael Lipton)

This Seminar, the second to be held by the Institute on the topic, will look at the following aspects: 1. What has to be financed? National accounting, productivity, export, government spending and private and public investment. 2. The components of development finance: domestic and foreign resources. 3. Allocation of development finance: monetary and banking policy, incentives, management of foreign exchange, etc. During the course participants will spend some time in London looking at the practical operations of some leading British financial institutions. Lectures will form the hard core of instruction serving to introduce new ideas, broaden the range of experience considered and pose questions which will be followed up in greater depth in syndicate discussions (small discussion groups). The emphasis of the Seminar will lie in consideration of the

problems with which participants are concerned in their work, through the exchange of ideas and experience.

Application is invited from senior level civil servants whose work is concerned with financing development expenditure; from businessmen whose main experience lies in increasing financial resources available to their firms; bankers; managers of rural credit agencies.

Other Future Seminars

5th April - 16th May 1970

Study Seminar 13: Local Administration for Development.

(Directors of Studies: Douglas Ashford and
Bernard Schaffer)

17th May - 27th June 1970

Study Seminar 14: Employment, Unemployment and Underemployment in Developing Countries: Policy and Planning Issues.

(Director of Studies: Hans Singer)

16th August - 26th September 1970

Study Seminar 15: Planning for the State Sector.

(Director of Studies: Brian Van Arkadie)

COURSES FOR BRITISH CIVIL SERVANTS

Future Events

13th - 24th October 1969 Aid Administration Course

21st - 23rd October 1969 Diplomatic Service Course VII

1st - 3rd December 1969 Diplomatic Service Course VIII

INSTITUTE SEMINARS

Seminars in the Autumn Term will be held as usual on Thursday afternoons at 4.30 p.m. They will, however, be focused almost exclusively on work that is being currently conducted at IDS, and will be given by Institute staff. Further details should be available shortly.

CONFERENCES

Crisis in Planning 29th June - 10th July 1969

A full report of this important international conference is given in the 3rd Annual Report. It is hoped that the proceedings will be published in some months' time.

Meeting on Science and Technology,

The UN Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development is responsible for initiating and co-ordinating work on a World Plan of Action for the application of S & T to development, which is to be part of the Second Development Decade. The UN Secretariat invited a group under the chairmanship of Hans Singer to draw up an Introductory Statement for the Plan. In addition to Hans Singer the group - which is called the 'Sussex Group' - consisted of Christopher Freeman, Stephen Hill, and Geoffrey Oldham of the Science Policy Research Unit; Charles Cooper of the Science Policy Research Unit and the Institute; and Mr. Raj Desai of the UN Head Office in New York (Deputy Director of Science and Technology).

After preliminary meetings the group met for four days at the end of August to discuss and revise a draft of the statement. The statement will emphasise the adverse consequences for the less-developed countries which result from the present orientation of science and technology internationally. There are two main problems. First, the composition of the stock of knowledge is such that it is less and less suitable for direct use in the

l.d.c.'s Second, there are specific 'backwash' effects which result from the present concentration and orientation of S & T in the advanced countries: the "internal" and "external" brain drains and the problems arising from substitution of l.d.c. experts.

The main proposals will therefore centre on the necessity for a build-up of indigenous S & T capability in the l.d.c.'s which has to be supported by a re-orientation and re-organisation of S & T in the advanced countries. At the same time, the statement will stress the necessity for re-organisation of the l.d. economies in order to use available technologies and technologies that will become available.

The document will be presented to the UN Advisory Committee as a paper prepared by an independent group, rather than as an official paper of the UN. Copies will be available from the Institute.

FIELD WORK, CONFERENCES AND OTHER WORK OVERSEAS

George Irvin has spent the summer in Israel engaged in field work for his research project on irrigation.

Leonard Joy has also been away a good deal of the summer. He visited Liz Hopkins in Senegal to see the progress of her research into the effects of the introduction of draught oxen into the groundnut basin. In August and September he undertook two assignments for the Ministry of Overseas Development. He visited Rambi Island in the Pacific to follow up an initial visit made in 1968, and to assist with further planning for development. He also visited and reported on the Ministry's Technical Assistance Programme in Thailand. During the same trip he went to Kosi Development Area in Bihar, North India, to review progress on research there.

Martin Hoskins, who has been working alone in Kosi for several months is being joined by Ed Clay and Gerry Rogers, research students reading for D.Phil. degrees at the University of Sussex.

Michael Lipton attended a United Nations "Inter-Regional Planning Seminar" in Bangkok in September, where he presented a paper on "Transfer of Surpluses from Agriculture to Industry: the Indian Case." He is also visiting Delhi on the way.

Dudley Seers was in Guyana in May, advising the University on its research needs in development. He produced a report "A Centre of Development Studies in Guyana." During the same trip he also gave a number of lectures in the West Indies and Guyana.

Hans Singer is attending a conference in Jakarta in October on "The Position of Children in Indonesia, and the Work of UNICEF". In May Hans Singer attended the Human Resources Conference at Temple University, Philadelphia, celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the Philadelphia Declaration, reconstituting ILO. He delivered a paper on "Employment Problems in Developing Countries: an Action Programme for the Decade of the 1970s". This was followed in July by consultancy work for ILO in connection with the World Employment Programme. In June he attended a meeting of the UN Expert Committee on the Role of Social Defence in the Context of National Development Planning. The meeting dealt with problems of juvenile delinquency in developing countries. Hans Singer was elected chairman of the meeting.

Richard Symonds spent two months at UN headquarters in May/July assisting in the implementation of some of the recommendations in his report to the Secretary General of 1968 on "The United Nations Trust Fund for Population Activities and the Role of the United Nations Agencies in Population Action Programmes", which has been published in an abbreviated form as UN document ST/SOA/SER.R/10.

Among recommendations which have been accepted are that the fund should be expanded to finance programmes of the Specialised Agencies and UNICEF, as well as those to the United Nations itself; that target figures should be established at \$5,000,000 in 1969, \$10,000,000 in 1970 and \$20,000,000 in 1971, and that not only conventional forms of assistance but local

costs of training research and pilot projects should be eligible for support.

Details of other lectures given in Europe and elsewhere will be found in the third Annual Report.

PUBLICATIONS

Politics and Change in Developing Countries, edited by Colin Leys, is due out in October. It is being published by Cambridge University Press at 45s. This book arose out of the Conference on the Politics of Development, organised by IDS in 1968. It includes papers by R.E. Dowse, David Feldman, W.H. Morris-Jones, J.P. Nettl, Alec Nove, Bernard Schaffer, Martin Staniland and J.E. Vincent.

Planning Education for African Development by Richard Jolly, has been published recently by East African Publishing House, Nairobi, price 23.00s. In the U.K. it is available from Heinemann Ltd. in paperback (28s.) and hardback (3gns.) In the U.S.A. it can be obtained through Northwestern University Press (\$8). This book is an economic analysis of the manpower and financial constraints to educational expansion in less-developed countries, focused on the implications for national educational planning in Africa. Chapter 3 comprises a case study of educational expansion in Uganda 1928-63 and Chapter 4 a statistical summary of educational expansion in 44 African countries from 1950-60.

Richard Jolly has also edited Education in Africa: Action and Research, the proceedings of the 1968 Conference of the African Studies Association of the United Kingdom. This book, also published by the East African Publishing House in Nairobi, is available from Heinemann in the UK and Northwestern University Press in the U.S.A. The price of the paperback edition is 27s. (UK) and about \$3 (US).

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RESEARCH IN DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

IDS is at present engaged in compiling a register of social science research in the field of development being carried out by or under the auspices of U.K. institutions. As a first step a questionnaire is being circulated to universities and other institutions. We are conscious of the fact that we may be missing several projects which fall into the above categories. Any reader of the Bulletin engaged in such research who has not received a questionnaire (or knows of a research worker who has not received one) should write to Richard Stern, at the Institute.

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Corrigenda

- p. 26 line 6. Latin America: insert:
Brazil 1; Total 31
- p. 28 para 6, line 3. Read: The first Seminar on Manpower Planning in 1968-69 had included a successful week in Paris, attending sessions arranged by French technical assistance authorities.
- p. 34 para 5, lines 7-8. For "Aid Consortium meetings" read "Aid Group Meetings".
- p. 51 para 2, line 7. Read: W. H. Morris-Jones, J. P. Nettl.
- p. 63 para 2, line 5. For "departmentations" read "departmentalisation".
- p. 63 para 2, line 7. For "through" read "though"

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Corrigenda (continued)

p. 109 Delete: J.A.C. Brown, Professor of Econometrics,
University of Bristol.

Insert: G. K. Goundry, Director, Economic
Development and Research Division, Commonwealth
Secretariat.

p. 110 Delete: Sir Stanley Tomlinson, Foreign and
Commonwealth Office.

Insert: C. Herbert Rees, Director, NESAS/SA,
Agency for International Development.
Miss E. Lane, Foreign and Commonwealth Office.
John White, ODI.

Delete last two lines.