India. I feel it will be nothing short of a calamity to put this idea in practice because, till recently very few talented scientists went abroad; the second raters were the ones who went in majority and will come back. No first rate scientist will come back because he knows what scientific research is. We must build our scientific cities by our India-based scientists only.

More pertinently where are our bright students going and why? The malady is deeper and I have tried to deal with it in broad terms in clauses 1 and 3 above.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

54TH TEXTILE RESEARCH INSTITUTE RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE

The 54th TRI Research and Technology Conference is scheduled for April 11 and 12, 1984, at the Sheraton Centre Hotel in Charlotte, North Carolina. The Conference will focus on important new developments in fibre and textile technology and is expected to provide an industry-wide forum for discussion of key

technical issues. The theme and program will be announced early in the year.

Further particulars may be had from: Textile Research Institute, P.O. Box 625, Princeton, New Jersey 08542, USA.

FIFTH ASEAN ORCHID CONGRESS

Fifth ASEAN Orchid Congress will be held in Singapore from 1-7 August 1984. An Orchid Show will be held concurrently.

There will be a three day Seminar to discuss the following aspects:

"Orchid Research, Co-operation and Co-ordination; Ecology and Conservation; Breeding and Quality Improvement Towards Export;

Commercial Orchid Production and Orchid Improvement in ASEAN Countries."

Those interested to participate may write to: The Organising Secretary, Fifth Asean Orchid Congress, c/o Parks & Recreation Department, Botanic Gardens, Cluny Road, Singapore 1025 OR Professor A N Rao, Botany Department, National University of Singapore, Lower Kent Ridge Road, Singapore 0511.

ALL INDIA SYMPOSIUM ON ANIMAL BEHAVIOUR & 13TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE ETHOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF INDIA, TRIVANDRUM, 20–23 JUNE 1984

An All India Symposium on Animal Behaviour is scheduled to be held in connection with the 13th Annual Conference of the Ethological Society of India at the Department of Zoology, University of Kerala from 20–23 June 1984. The Symposium shall have a few major scientific sessions and invited lectures on the important themes. Papers in any branch of Ethology/Animal Behaviour are welcome. It is also proposed to publish the abstracts of all contributions

and the full text of the presented papers.

For further details, please contact The Organising Secretary, All India Symposium on Animal Behaviour & 13th Annual Conference of the Ethological Society of India, Department of Zoology, University of Kerala, Kariyavattam 695 581, Trivandrum. Last date for receipt of abstracts (not exceeding 250 words) is 15 March 1984.