

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
1967-68	14	5	7	6	32	—	—
1968-69	13	5	8	3	29	—	—
1969-70	15	4	5	3	27	—	—
1970-71	11	5	9	2	27	4	1
1971-72	8	1	17	2	28	7	2
1972-73	5	2	20	8	35	1	1
1973-74	6	1	16	9	32	1	1
1974-75	8	2	18	7	35	—	—

VIII. Adult Literacy / Social Education

The Adult Literacy Programme was launched in the Territory only in 1956 as part of the Community Development Programme. Two years hence the Directorate of Harijan and Social Welfare entered the field to be followed by the Directorate of Public Instruction in 1961. Between 1956 and 1971 i.e. within a period of 15 years, 14,800 adults were made literate. The number of adult literacy centres run by the various departments varied from year to year.¹¹⁷

IX. Audio-visual education

Although the Audio-Visual Education Unit was set up in 1960 to form part of the Teachers' Training Centre, Pondicherry, it started functioning independently only in 1965, when it came to be placed under the control of an Audio-Visual Education Officer. A film library was organised in the Unit and placed under the care of an Assistant Librarian. As on 31 December 1974, the film library had 343 films, 351 film-strips besides slides, long playing records, etc. all of educational value. In 1970 a mobile unit was added to this unit for conducting regular film shows in urban as well as rural areas. The unit also imparts training to teachers on the preparation of visual aids as well as in handling equipments like film-strip projector, epidiascope, etc. Similar units are to be set up in Karaikal and Mahe under the Fifth Plan.