so out of Rs. 6 lakhs—that too is a paltry sum—allotted for tribal welfare in view of the fact that the tribals of Andaman and Nicobar are the least developed people?

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri: I would only like Shri Ranga to go there and see whether they are really less developed.

श्री स्थागीः उन को काला पानी कर दो ।

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri: He is so afraid. I am not sending him to Andamans.

Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath: You have led the way. You have gone first.

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri: I have led the way. The total  $i_S$  for the Third Five Year Plan.

Shri Ranga: Six lakhs have been allotted.

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri: Rs. 6:50 lakhs for the Third Five Year Plan, for 5 years.

Shri Ranga: You have spent only Rs. 1 lakh.

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri: How many years have passed out of the Third Five Year Plan?

Shri Ranga: This is social welfare.

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri: May I inform the hon. Member that all the amount could not be spent immediately? There are hostels being built; then, for the supply of books, scholarships etc., have to be given. They will be given year to year. It will take sometime. We will spend all the money. He need not bother about that.

Mr. Speaker: Question Hour over.

## WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

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\*१४४. औ रामक्षेत्रर प्रसाद : भी रामक्षेत्रर प्रसाद सिंह :

क्या शिक्ता मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या केन्द्रीय हिन्दी निदेशालव को दिल्ली से बाहर भेजा जा रहा है; ग्रौर

(ख) सरकार की थह कार्यवाही निदेशालय के लक्ष्य की पूर्ति में किस प्रकार सहायक होगी ?

शिक्षा मंत्री (डा० का० ला० श्रीमाली) (क) ग्रीर (ख). दिल्ली में स्यान की कमी के कारण भारत सरकार के कुछ कार्यालयों को दिल्ली से बाहर भेजने का प्रस्ताव है। बाहर मेज जाने वाले कार्यालयों में से केन्द्रीथ हिन्दी निदेशालय का एक हिस्सा भी शामिल है। स्थान की ग्रन्थयिक कमी होने के कारण निदेशालय का बाहर भेजा जाना ग्रनिवायं जान पडता है।

## Exploration of Oil in Cauvery Basin

•145. { Shri Hem Barua: Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have proposed to offer the Carvery basin to any foreign company to prospect for oil;

(b) if so, whether any progress has been made so far in this direction; and

(c) the basic reasons for Government to reverse their initial decision that the Cauvery basin be explored under State auspices?

The Minister of Mines and Fuel (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) to (c). This area was one of the areas which