

lable for resettlement of migrants from East Pakistan will be known after the completion of the survey. Meanwhile, the NEFA Administration has taken about 1,052 families of migrants to camps set up in NEFA and are proceeding with the arrangements for settling them on land in the Noadhing Valley in the Tirap Frontier Division.

Hindi Medium for All-India Services Examinations

- *132. { Shrimati Maimoona Sultan:
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:
Shri P. R. Chakraverti:
Shri B. Barua:
Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:
Shri R. S. Pandey:
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:
Shri K. N. Tiwary:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to allow Hindi as a medium for competitive examinations conducted by the U.P.S.C. including the All-India Services Examinations; and

(b) if so, the precise decision in this regard?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Hathi): (a) and (b). On the recommendation of the Committee of Parliament on Official Language in 1959, it was decided that action may be taken in consultation with Union Public Service Commission for the introduction of Hindi as an alternative medium for the competitive examination conducted by the Commission, after some time. In consultation with the U.P.S.C. and the Chief Ministers of States a satisfactory Scheme of moderation with a view to maintaining uniform standards in the valuation of answer books, is being evolved. After this has been done the decision will be implemented.

Oil in Gangetic Plain

- Shri Surendra Pal Singh:
Shri P. C. Borooah:
Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shrimati Savitri Nigam:
Shri R. G. Dubey:
Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:
Shri Bishwanath Roy:
Shri Hukam Chand
Kachhavaia:
*133. { Shri Bade:
Shri Hem Barua:
Shri Subodh Hansda:
Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shri Tridib Kumar
Chaudhuri:
Shri Sham Lal Saraf:
Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia:
Shri Kishen Pattnayak:
Shri Madhu Limaye:

Will the Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Russian Geologists who attended the recent International Geological Conference in Delhi disclosed that Indo-Gangetic plain offered a promising area for oil prospecting and suggested that the Government of India should undertake a programme of extensive test-drilling in this region; and

(b) if so, whether the feasibility of this proposal has been examined and if so, the result thereof?

The Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals (Shri Humayun Kabir):

(a) One of the Russian Geologists who attended the recent Congress at Delhi stated that in his opinion the Indo-Gangetic Plains offered good possibilities of finding oil.

(b) The Oil and Natural Gas Commission has also held this view and has been carrying out geological and geophysical surveys and exploratory drilling operations in the region over the last few years.