

(c) what action has been taken in this regard so far?

The Minister of Mines and Fuel (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) The Oil and Natural Gas Commission has recently decided to set up two new technical training centres.

(b) One at Bareilly and the other at Sibsagar.

(c) Necessary steps are being taken to set up the centres as early as possible.

Stainless Steel

***979. Shrimati Maimoona Sultan:** Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a special scheme for the production of stainless steel; and

(b) if so, the broad outlines thereof?

The Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) and (b). An Alloy and Special Steel Plant is being set up at Durgapur by Messrs Hindustan Steel Limited which is designed *inter alia* to produce 17,000 tons of stainless and heat-resisting steel. Messrs TISCO have been licensed for the production of special steels, including 20,000 tons of stainless steel. Further licensing is under consideration.

Thermal Plant at Ramagandam

***980. Shrimati Vimla Devi:** Will the Minister of Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the management of Singareni Collieries Company have sought financial assistance of the Central Government for setting up a thermal plant at Ramagandam for augmenting the production of coal in order to achieve the target of 5.6 million tons per year by the end of the Third Five Year Plan; and

(b) if so, what decision has been arrived at by Government?

The Minister of Mines and Fuel (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) and (b). The Singareni Collieries Company have put up a proposal for the import of package power sets to meet their own power requirements. This proposal is under examination.

Excise Duty on Embroidered Woollen Cloth

***981. Shri Raghunath Singh:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state whether the President of Kashmir Chamber of Commerce has sent a memorandum seeking clarification whether embroidered woollen cloth is exempted from the excise duty on processing?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Finance (Shri B. R. Bhagat): Yes, Sir. A representation was received from the President, Kashmir Chamber of Commerce, and a clarification to the effect that hand embroidered woollen fabrics, which are not otherwise processed by power, would be exempt from excise duty of woollen fabrics has been issued. It has been further pointed out that more 'pressing' of such cloth, even if power is used in the process, would not be liable to duty.

हिन्दी अथवा प्रादेशिक भाषा की शिक्षा का माध्यम बनना

*९८२. { श्री भक्त वशन :
श्री उमाताय :
श्री जेजे :

क्या शिक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि अगस्त, १९६१ में दिल्ली में केन्द्रीय मंत्रियों तथा राज्यों के मुख्य मंत्रियों के एक सम्मेलन में विश्वविद्यालयों की शिक्षा का माध्यम हिन्दी अथवा प्रादेशिक भाषा में करने का निश्चय किया गया था ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस बारे में अब तक क्या प्रगति हुई है ; और

(ग) इसका भविष्य का क्या कार्यक्रम है ?

शिक्षा मंत्री (डा० श्रीमाली) : (क) एक दिवस सभा-घटल पर रख दिया गया है [वित्तिये परिशिष्ट ३, अनुबन्ध संख्या ३]

(ख) और (ग). विषय विचाराधीन है ।

One Naya Paisa Coin

*983. { Shri Subodh Hansda:
Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shri B. K. Das:
Shri Maheswar Naik:
Shri Birendra Bahadur Singh:
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to eliminate the use of one Naya Paisa coin;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether any target date has been fixed for this?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Finance (Shri B. E. Bhagat):

(a) No, Sir. Government have no proposal under consideration to withdraw 1 nP. coin from circulation.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Wastage in General Education

*984. Shri Bibhuti Mishra: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal before Government to take up an all-India survey to assess the extent of wastage in the general education;

(b) if so, when the survey will be taken; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) and (b). Government has requested the National Council of Educational Research and Training to take up a national survey of wastage and stagnation in education. The detailed proposals in this regard are being worked out and the survey will begin as soon as these are finalised.

(c) Does not arise.

Coal Production

*985. Shri Vidya Charan Shukla: Will the Minister of Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken to increase the coal production in out-lying fields; and

(b) what is the total production expected from these fields at the end of the Third Five Year Plan?

The Minister of Mines and Fuel (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) All possible efforts, including expansion of the existing mines and opening of new mines, are being taken to increase the production from the outlying coal-fields in the Third Plan.

(b) A total production of 31 to 32 million tons is being planned for from the out-lying coalfields in the last year of the Third Plan.

Burglary in Delhi

*986. { Shri Maheswar Naik:
Shri Shree Narayan Das:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to a news item published in the "Hindustan Times" weekly of May 6, 1962 under the caption "Police inaction makes Delhi paradise for burglars" in which it is alleged that a vast number of cases of burglary and theft go untraced;

(b) what was the number of such cases registered by the Police during the year 1961 and the number (i) de-