

Shri Nagharammah: May I submit that this is an entirely different question? If my hon. friend wants information on that, he may ask a separate question, and I shall furnish all the information.

Library of Department of Archaeology

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*1737. { **Shri M. B. Thakore:**
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Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Library of the Department of Archaeology will continue to remain in New Delhi even after the Department of Archaeology is shifted from New Delhi; and

(b) if no decision has been taken so far, the time by which final decision is expected to be taken?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) and (b). The matter is under consideration and a decision will be taken as soon as possible.

Shri M. B. Thakore: May I know whether Government are aware that the shifting of this library has created a great resentment among various research scholars and foreigners who use the library every now and then?

Shri Humayun Kabir: Government are aware of the very strong feelings that this library should not be removed, and that is why the matter is under consideration.

Himalayan Expedition

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*1738. { **Shri Bhakt Darshan:**
Shrimati Ila Palchoudhuri:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an Indian Himalayan expedition to

Cho-oyu Peak of the Himalayas has been recently sponsored;

(b) whether the Government of India have been approached for permission for the proposed assault;

(c) if so, whether the permission has been given;

(d) the detailed composition of the expedition team; and

(e) the nature of assistance, financial or otherwise given to the team by the Government?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Defence (Shri Fatehsingh-
rao Gaekwad):** (a) Yes, an unofficial expedition.

(b) to (e). A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix VII, annexure No. 120.]

श्री भक्त दर्शन: विवरण से ज्ञात होता है कि इस दल को नेपाल सरकार की धोर से अनुमति मिल गयी है। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या नेपाल सरकार इस बारे में कुछ धोर सहायता भी दे रही है ?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Sardar Majithia): The Ministry is not aware of any other help given by the Nepal Government, because that is a separate Government not subservient to the Government of India in any way.

श्री भक्त दर्शन: विवरण से ज्ञात होता है कि भारत सरकार के सभी मंत्रालय इस दल की मदद कर रहे हैं। यह बड़ी सुन्दर बात है। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या प्रति वर्ष इस प्रकार के दलों को भेजने का विचार किया जा रहा है ?

Sardar Majithia: This is a school which is entirely independent, and whenever it approaches the Ministry for help, it certainly is given help. But the programme is entirely dependent upon this Institute.