

**Beggar Problem**

\*99. { Shri Harish Chandra  
Mathur:  
Sardar Iqbal Singh:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey of beggar problem in the country particularly in the Centrally Administered Areas has been carried out;

(b) how many institutions are working for the rehabilitation of beggars in Delhi; and

(c) the number of beggars rehabilitated in Delhi during the last two years?

The Deputy Minister of Home Affairs (Shrimati Alva): (a) After the 1951 census, no country-wide survey of beggars has been carried out in India. Small local surveys have, however, been made in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Madras, Madhya Pradesh and Bombay and the Union Territory of Delhi.

(b) One

(c) 31 persons were rehabilitated between 1-1-1956 and 14-7-1958.

**India Office Library**

\*100. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether any further progress has been made in negotiations with the United Kingdom regarding India Office Library; and

(b) what further action Government propose to take in the matter?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) No further development has taken place in the matter since Starred Question No. 118 on the subject was answered in the Lok Sabha on 13th February, 1958.

(b) Further action will be considered in the light of the reply from the United Kingdom Government to our note sent to that Government on 10th February, 1958.

**Artificial Rain**

\*101. { Sardar Iqbal Singh:  
Shri Ram Krishan:

Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) how far the experiments for making artificial rain through steam injection have proved successful; and

(b) whether these experiments can be carried out on a commercial basis and in a cheap manner?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a): On the basis of data available it cannot be said that the steam injection method of artificial rainfall has proved successful.

(b) Does not arise.

**Foreign Investments**

\*102 { Shri V. C. Shukla:  
Shrimati Renu  
Chakravartty:

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether any concrete measures have recently been taken by Government to bring about an appreciable increase in the present and potential foreign investments in India; and

(b) if so, the particulars thereof?

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha): (a) and (b). The House is aware of the incentives that exist already in this country for the investment of foreign capital. Government are of the view that these incentives are generally attractive and such as to encourage further foreign investment in this country.