

High Altitude Research Stations

- *98. { Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Bhakt Darshan:
Shri Naval Prabhakar:
Shrimati Ila Palchowdhuri:

Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No 735 on the 30th August, 1958 and state the progress since made in setting up of two High Altitude Research Stations?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): A statement is placed on the Table of the House (See Appendix I, annexure No 31]

Production of Lubricating Oil

- *99. { Shri V. P. Nayar:
Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1018 on the 8th September, 1958 and state:

(a) whether it has been finally decided to produce lubricating oil in the refinery to be set up at Barauni,

(b) what additional steps are being taken to produce lubricating oil in the country;

(c) whether any firm has been asked to submit a project report for the establishment of lubricating oil plant;

(d) if so, the details thereof, and

(e) the steps taken, if any, to persuade the existing oil refineries to produce *inter alia* lubricating oil also?

The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) The matter is still under consideration.

(b) Establishment of lubricating oil refinery in the public sector is under examination.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Unless quotations are received from all the firms and final selection is made it is not possible to disclose any details.

(e) The Digboi Refinery is already producing Lubricating oils. The other refineries are not designed to produce this product.

Central Advisory Board of Archaeology

- *100. { Shri Ram Krishan:
Shri Raghunath Singh:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the 14th annual meeting of the Central Advisory Board of Archaeology has recommended the setting up of Advisory Boards of Archaeology in every State and to encourage universities and research institutions to undertake archaeological excavations, and

(b) if so, whether Government has accepted this proposal?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) No, Sir, but the Board reiterated an earlier resolution that liberal grants should be given to learned institutions and societies undertaking excavation on approved lines

(b) The principle of giving grants to learned institutions for undertaking excavations had been accepted in principle and grants are being paid already subject to availability of funds

Military Engineering Service

93. Shri V. C. Shukla: Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of civilian employees in Classes I, II and III in M.E.S. category-wise;