

ed to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 866 on the 14th December, 1959 and state the further progress made in regard to the publication of works of Shri Rabindra Nath Tagore on the occasion of his birthday centenary celebrations ?

The Deputy Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Dr. M. M. Das): The selection of Rabindranath Tagore's writings for publication in Indian languages in seven volumes has been finalised by the Sahitya Akademi. Of these, the volume of 101 Poems has been published under the title Ekottarasti. Also, the Gujarati and Punjabi editions of 21 short stories have been published. The remaining works are either under preparation or in Press.

दिल्ली में शिक्षा सम्बन्धी सस्ता साहित्य

*१२४८. श्री प्रकाश चौर शास्त्री : क्या शिक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) दिल्ली में जो सस्ती गाइडें और अनुमान पत्र (गैस पेपर) छा रहे हैं और जिनके कारण छात्रों की शिक्षा का स्तर निरन्तर गिरता जा रहा है क्या उनकी ओर सरकार का ध्यान दिलाया गया है;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि इस प्रकार के प्रकाशन मैट्रिक से एम० ए० तक की सभी कक्षाओं के लिये उपयुक्त है; और

(ग) क्या सरकार शिक्षा सम्बन्धी इस प्रकार के सस्ता साहित्य के प्रकाशन पर प्रतिबन्ध लगाने का विचार कर रही है

शिक्षा मंत्री (डा० का० ला० श्रीमाली): सरकार का यह मान्य है कि दिनों में सस्ती गाइडें और अनुमान पत्र (गैस पेपर) उपलब्ध हैं।

(ख) जी, हाँ।

(ग) जी नहीं।

Payment of Increment to Workers of M.E.S.

*1252. **Shri S. M. Banerjee:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that about 300 M.E.S. workers in Kanpur have not been paid their arrears of increment since 1948;

(b) if so, the reasons for this abnormal delay; and

(c) the steps taken to expedite payment?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Krishna Menon): (a) 208 M.E.S. Employees have not been paid their arrears of increments since 1948.

(b) The delay has been due to non-availability of certain documents and audit objections arising therefrom.

(c) Government orders have since been issued and arrears will now be paid to the workers.

ललित कला अकादमी

*१२५३. श्रीमती विनोयता : क्या वैज्ञानिक अनुसंधान और सांस्कृतिक-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि प्रयुक्त विज्ञानियों के कुछ प्रमुख कलाकारों ने पिछले कुछ वर्षों में ललित कला अकादमी द्वारा आयोजित वार्षिक प्रतियोगिता से अमहयोग कर रखा है ;

(ख) क्या इस अमहयोग का कारण अकादमी की पुरस्कार-वितरण सम्बन्धी नीति है; और

(ग) अकादमी और प्रयुक्त कलाकारों के बीच की इस खाई को पाटने के लिये अकादमी ने क्या कदम उठाये हैं ?

वैज्ञानिक अनुसंधान और सांस्कृतिक-कार्य उपमंत्री (डा० म० मो० दास) :
(क) और (ख). कुछ कलाकारों ने अकादमी

द्वारा आयोजित कला की राष्ट्रीय प्रदर्शनी १९५६ में भाग नहीं लिया क्योंकि वे प्रदर्श्य वस्तुओं के मूल्यांकन और उन्हें भलग भलग अनुभागों में रखने के फैसले से सहमत नहीं थे।

(ग) तब से प्रकाशमी ने सब के लिये जैसी भ्राम प्रदर्शनी ठुम्रा करती थी वैसी ही फिर से करने का फैसला कर लिया है।

Oil Refinery at Barauni

*1257. { Kumari M. Vedakumari:
Shri Arjun Singh
Bhadauria:
Shri S. A. Mehdi:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any change in the estimated cost of oil refinery at Barauni; and

(b) whether Government have received the detailed project report from the Soviet experts?

The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) and (b). The detailed project report is expected by December, 1960; the cost of the Barauni refinery will be estimated thereafter.

Tar Plant at Durgapur

*1259. Shri Subiman Ghose: Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sanctioned any sum for a tar plant in Durgapur;

(b) if so, the amount sanctioned; and

(c) how many tons of coal tar are likely to be produced annually there?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh): (a) and (b). The Tar Plant is a part of the by-product plant of the Durgapur Steel Plant and its cost is included in the total cost of the Steel Plant. The cost of the tar plant was, however, estimated at Rs. 108 lakhs.

(c) 200 tons per day.

Diplomas of Rural Institutes

*1262. { Shri Ajit Singh Sarhadi:
Shri Subodh Hansda:
Shri R. C. Majhi:
Shri S. C. Samanta:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether Inter-University Board of India has made any assessment of Rural Institutes and made any recommendations about the recognition of their Diplomas by the Universities; and

(b) if so, what Rural Institutes Diplomas have been given recognition?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): (a) The Committee set up by the Inter-University Board of India has by now assessed the academic standards of eight out of eleven Rural Institutes, but the final report is yet due.

(b) Question does not arise.

Scientific Books in Regional Languages

*1263. Shri Aurobindo Ghosal: Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been taken to give help to the authors and publishers in printing books on science in different regional languages; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Deputy Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Dr. M. M. Das): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The particulars of financial assistance:

(1) M'S. Rajkamal Prakashan (P) Ltd., Delhi.

Rs. 34,000 sanctioned as grant-in-