

Chairman of University Grants Commission

- *808. { Shri S. A. Mehdi:
 Shri Khushwaqt Rai:
 Shri N. R. Muniswamy:
 Shri P. G. Deb:
 Shri Arjun Singh Bhadauria:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chairman of the University Grant Commission is working in an honorary capacity at present; and

(b) if not, since how long he has been drawing salary?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): (a) No, sir.

(b) Since the 1st March, 1959.

Scholarships in Himachal Pradesh

*809. **Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1644 on the 17th December, 1959 and state:

(a) whether Government have considered the question of simplifying the procedure for facilitating speedy payments of scholarships to needy students in Himachal Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the result thereof?

The Minister of Home Affairs (Shri G. B. Pant): (a) and (b). After consulting the Accountant General of Punjab and the Himachal Pradesh Administration, certain proposals have been evolved which are now being considered in consultation with the Ministry of Finance.

Cost of steel plants

- *810. { Shri Shree Narayan Das:
 Shri Radha Raman:
 Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:
 Shri Amjad Ali:
 Shri Rameshwar Tantia:
 Shri Kalika Singh:
 Shri P. C. Borooah:

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

reply given to Unstarred question No. 161 on the 18th November, 1959 and state:

(a) whether the revision of estimates regarding the cost of production of steel in the three steel plants has since been completed; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Sawaran Singh): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Material on I.N.A. Activities

- *811. { Shri P. K. Deo:
 Shri Subiman Ghose:
 Shri D. R. Chavan:
 Shri Bhakt Darshan:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether any attempt has been made to collect material on the activities of I.N.A. and its leader Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose for acquisition by the National Archives of India; and

(b) if so, the results achieved so far?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): (a) Yes.

(b) Some material was already available with the Ministry of Defence. Ministry of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs have also collected valuable material regarding Netaji Subhash Bose and the I.A.N. in connection with the writing of the "History of the Freedom Movement". A few photographs and old pamphlets published by the Azad Hind Government under Netaji Bose have also been received as a result of recent public appeals.