(b) if so, what are the broad facts revealed by this survey in the matter?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) and (b). A survey of the calibre of students admitted to polytechnics in 1960-61 was carried out and revealed that all available places had not been utilised and some of the students were not of adequate quality.

Historical City Near Jammu

*282. { Maharajkumar Vijaya *Ananda: { Shri P. G. Deb:

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

- (a) whether an historical city has newly been found near Jammu; and
- (b) if so, whether there is any proposal to conduct research in the matter?

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

(b) Yes, Sir.

Accident to an Army Truck

- *283. Shri Ramji Verma: Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that an Army truck plunged 40 feet into a ditch seven miles from Dehra Dun on 1st July, 1961;
- (b) what is the total loss due to this accident and how many soldiers were killed; and
- (c) what action has been taken by Government to give compensation to the families of the dead?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Sardar Majithia): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Total financial loss will be known when the Court of Inquiry which is in progress has given its findings. However, one 3-ton vehicle,

- 19 rifles and I sten gun were damaged and five soldiers were killed.
- (c) Compensation in the form of Special family pension is admissible, where death occurs on duty. Action for grant of this pension will be initiated on receipt of the findings of the Court of Inquiry. In the meantime action to sanction Pending Enquiry Awards has been initiated.

Archaeological Excavations by Universities

- *284. Shri Tangamani: Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 615 on the 28th February, 1961 and state:
- (a) whether the grants for archaeological excavations given to the Universities of Banaras, Calcutta and Allahabad have been utilised; and
- (b) what are the considerations weighing with Government for giving the grants?

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

- (b) (i) The site should be of archaeological importance and its excavation should have the prior approval of the Standing Committee of the Central Advisory Board of Archaeology.
- (ii) The university should have adequate trained personnel and equipment
- (iii) The university should incur 50 per cent of the total expenditure on the excavation work from its own budget.

Oil Near Shahjahanpur (U.P.)

- *285. Shri Rajendra Singh: Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that largescale geophysical methods of oil prospecting by the field officials of the Oil

and Natural Gas Commission in the Gangetic Valley have revealed a big structure, indicating oil-bearing sediments near Shahjahanpur in U.P.

- (b) if so, what are the full details; and
- (c) what further action has been taken by Government for prospecting the oil from these sources?

The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) to (c). The seismic survey work carried out so far by the Oil and Natural Gas Commission in the Gangetic Valley has shown some indications of presence of a modest size structure in the Katragarra area located at about 14 miles from Shahjahanpur towards Bareily. The indications of the structure are yet to be confirmed by further seismic work. It is not known whether or not oil bearing sediments occur at depth in this area. Some other indications of structure appearing similar to Katragarra structure have been obtained in the Badaun-Dataganjdhamora area located in the same region on the other side of the Ramganga river. To obtain information about the nature of sediments and structure occurring in the area, one structural well has been drilled on Ujhani structure near Badaun and drilling in another is in progress. Preparations for drilling deep wells on this structure are also in progress.

I.A.S. Personnel for Third Plan

344. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: Shri Chuni Lal:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have received from State Governments their requirements for the Indian Administrative Service personnel in the Third Five Year Plan period; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar): (a) Some of the State Governments furnished their requirements of the Indian

Administrative Service during the Third Five Year Plan at the time of the triennial review undertaken by the Government of India in September, 1959. Other State Governments expressed their inability to indicate their requirements as the Third Plan was then in a formative stage and the relative priorities of its programmes were not known to them. The Government of India have, however, now themselves taken up the matter with the State Governments.

(b) Before the triennial review the strength of the Indian Administrative Service was 1862 and on the basis of the requirements indicated by the State Governments so far the strength of the Indian Administrative Service has been raised to 2096.

Oil India Limited

Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: 345. Shri Chuni Lal: [Sardar Iqbal Singh:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1917 on the 4th May, 1961 and state:

- (a) whether the scheme to float Rs. 25 crores of debentures in the market by Oil India Limited, has been finalised; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

M/s. Singareni Collieries

346. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: Shri Chuni Lal:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 2644 on the 1st April, 1961 and state:

(a) whether Government have considered the question of allocation of foreign exchange for M/s Singareni Collieries for the year 1961-62; and