U.S. Educational Consortium for India

*699. Shrimati Renuka Ray: Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a U.S. Educational Consortium for help to India has been set up as a souvenir of the Prime Minister's visit to the U.S.A.: and
- (b) if so, what are the activities of this Organisation?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Consortium will assist in the establishment of the Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur.

Oil and Gas Reserves

*700. Shri Yajnik: Shri P. C. Borooah:

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

- (a) whether the estimates of oil and gas reserves have of late been reviewed in the light of a series of successful operations completed by the Oil India Limited during the year 1961; and
- (b) what are the revised estimates of the reserves (region-wise)?

The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As on 30th June 1961, reserves of crude oil and natural gas (proved and indicated in Oil India Limited areas viz. Nahorkatiya, Hugrijan and Moran in Assam were estimated at 48.1 million tons and 740,428 million cft. respectively. The reserves in Assam Oil Company areas are estimated to be 2:31 to 3:08 million tons of crude oil and 30,00 to 40,000 million cu. ft. of natural gas. The reserves of the Oil and Natural Gas Commission areas have yet to be estimated.

Training of Management Personnel

- *700A. Shrl Aurobindo Ghosal: Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government propose to set up any institute for training the management personnel; and
 - (b) If so, when and why?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Two all-India Institutes are being set up at Calcutta and Ahmedabad for advanced training and research in Management.

Insurance of Government Employees

- *701. Shri Tangamani: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there is a proposal to encourage Government employees to insure with the Life Insurance Corporation;
- (b) if so, what is the nature of the proposal;
- (c) whether arrangements will be made for deducting premium from pay; and
- (d) whether such a practice is prevalent in insurance of industrial workers?

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shri B. R. Bhagat): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as available.

Accident in NEFA by Army Firing Practice

*702. Shri D. Ering: Will the Minkster of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there was a serious accident at Daporijo in NEFA, recently due to the firing practice by the army and as a result of which one person was instantaneously killed and two others were severely wounded;