

substant envisages a plant with a capacity of 21,000 metric tons of electrolytic copper per annum. According to the time schedule given in the Project Report, the plant is likely to come into full production early in 1965. The Project Report is under consideration.

Low Cost Car

***201. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Hindustan Aircraft Ltd. has completed work on the prototype of a low cost car;

(b) if so, whether it has been put on trial; and

(c) the result thereof?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Krishna Menon): (a) to (c). Hindustan Aircraft Limited undertook work on a low cost car as a study project, and the work thereon is continuing. Consequently it is premature to assess the result.

Staff of Delhi Aided Schools

***202. Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Director of Education (Delhi State) in his letter No. F.6(47)/61-Edn. dated the 4th October, 1961 addressed to the President, Delhi School Managers Association, Delhi has stated that the condition of termination of services of the staff in aided schools during the period of probation with the prior approval of the department should remain operative as hitherto; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that in some aided schools this rule has been violated;

(c) whether Government have made enquiries into such cases of irregularities; and

(d) if so, the names of the schools where this rule is violated?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). Only one complaint of this nature has been received in this Ministry which is being investigated. The complaint relates to Ram Roop Vidya Mandir Higher Secondary school. The Delhi Administration is, however, making detailed enquiries to find out whether any other school management has violated these orders.

Aid to Students of Delhi Schools

***203. Shri Ram Garib:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme or provision according to which students who secure good positions in their classes in the Government run/aided schools in Delhi/New Delhi get some financial assistance;

(b) if so, what is that scheme; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) be in the negative, whether Government propose to introduce any such scheme to encourage brilliant students specially belonging to poor families?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) to (c). There is a scholarship scheme under which scholarships are awarded on the result of a competitive examination at the end of Class V and Class VIII. Only those students who secure the first three positions in the annual class promotion examinations of Classes V & VIII in the various schools are eligible to appear at the competitive examinations. These scholarships are renewable for three years subject to satisfactory progress of the awardees.

Oil Exploration in U.P.

***204. Shri P. G. Deb:** Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether any contract has been signed with a foreign company for oil exploration work in U.P.; and