

Life Insurance Corporation Fund

*1476. { Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:
Shri Shree Narayan Das:
Shri Sanganna:

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to refer to a report in the Statesman (Delhi Edition) of 3rd August, 1957 to the effect that a sum of Rs. 1 crore from the funds of the Life Insurance Corporation had been invested in a private enterprise with its headquarters in Kanpur and state:

(a) the name of the private enterprise in which the funds have been invested;

(b) the total amount invested so far; and

(c) the reasons for investing the funds in a private enterprise?

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shri B. R. Bhagat): (a) to (c). It is understood that the Life Insurance Corporation has not invested, as stated in the report referred to, a crore of rupees in any single private enterprise with headquarters in Kanpur.

National Atlas Organisation

*1477. { Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shri Naushir Bharucha:
Shri R. S. Lal:

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

(a) the purpose for which the National Atlas Organisation has been set up;

(b) the details of the progress made so far by it in achieving that purpose;

(c) when the National Atlas will be available to the public; and

(d) the main features thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): (a) The National Atlas Organisation has been set up for the purpose of compiling a National Atlas of India.

(b) Necessary data for the English edition of the Atlas is being collected and the data for the Hindi edition has already been collected.

(c) The Hindi edition of the National Atlas is likely to be published by the end of the year.

(d) The National Atlas will contain a number of detailed maps calculated to show the important physical, geological, climatic and socio-economic features of the country. It will also show the political and administrative boundaries.

Training of Librarians

*1477- { Shri Shree Narayan Das.
Shri Ram Saran:

Will the Minister of Education and Scientific Research be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 529 on the 29th May, 1957 and state.

(a) whether the proposal regarding the establishment of an Institute for training of librarians has been finalised;

(b) if so, the main outlines of composition, management, administration and finance; and

(c) the qualifications prescribed for the trainees and the duration of the training course?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): (a). Not yet, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Dearness Allowance for Cantonment Board Employees

*1478. Shrimati Sucheta Kripalani: Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether the minimum wages of the Cantonment Board Employees were fixed by Central Government; and

(b) if so, the reasons why dearness allowance to such employees is being