

- (b) None.
(c) No, Sir.

Sardar Hukam Singh: When was the preparation of these maps in Hindi undertaken? When was the decision to print them in Hindi taken?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: The first Hindi map was published in 1952, but the main difficulty that has delayed the publication of the maps since the beginning is non-availability of suitable Hindi types.

Sardar Hukam Singh: Are there any special features to be depicted in the maps prepared by this Survey?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: Yes, Sir. In regard to the programme of printing Hindi maps, the proposal is to have railway maps, road maps and other types of maps which are possible, but as I said, everywhere the difficulty is in regard to finer Hindi types.

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: What are the maps the preparation of which has been undertaken by Government in Hindi?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: The programme of Hindi maps is: 70 miles political map of India; 70 miles physical map; 128 miles map of India; 192 miles map of India and then maps on the scale of 1" for 16 miles.

Shri S. N. Das: In view of the difficulties experienced by Government, may I know whether any steps have been taken to remedy the difficulty experienced by non-availability of Hindi types?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: The difficulty has been considered and we hope that we will soon start the finer types in Hindi.

MECHANISATION CENTRE FOR MINES

*445. **Sardar Hukam Singh:** Will the Minister of **Natural Resources and Scientific Research** be pleased to refer to the reply given to starred question No. 1124 asked on the 8th September, 1953 and state:

(a) whether the **Expert Committee** appointed to examine the possibility of

setting up a **Mechanisation Centre** at the Indian School of Mines for imparting training to the students in mine mechanisation has submitted its report; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken on that report?

The Deputy Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) and (b). The Committee has not yet been able to meet, because one of the members, who is a specialist in coal mining and mining machinery and whose presence is absolutely necessary for the work of the Committee, is abroad. He has gone for further special training and is expected back in January 1954.

FACILITIES TO GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES FOR SPREADING EDUCATION

*446. **Sardar Hukam Singh:** Will the Minister of **Home Affairs** be pleased to refer to the reply given to starred question No. 1390 asked on the 17th April 1953 and state:

(a) whether any employee, wishing to utilise his spare time for spreading education must first seek permission from Government; and

(b) if so, what is the number of employees (i) who sought permission, and (ii) to whom permission was given?

The Deputy Minister of Home Affairs (Shri Datar): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Sardar Hukam Singh: Are there any special difficulties in allowing these persons to take up that work if we want to have a literary drive in our country?

Shri Datar: My hon. friend has misunderstood my reply. We have issued instructions that they can join and carry on such work without any permission.

Sardar Hukam Singh: If there is no permission required, has the Government any data in regard to the number of persons who have taken up this work and whether they are