

## CULTURAL SCHOLARSHIPS SCHEME

**\*556. Shri Bahadur Singh:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) the number of students from various foreign countries who were enrolled in Indian Institutions during 1953-54 under the Cultural Scholarships Scheme; and

(b) what assistance was given by Government to each of them?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das):** (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 10.]

**Shri Bahadur Singh:** May I know what is the total number of scholarships that were to be awarded during 1953-54, and whether all these scholarships have been awarded or not?

**Dr. M. M. Das:** From the statement it will appear that ninety-four students have already got scholarships.

**Shri Bahadur Singh:** I want to know the total number of scholarships that were to be awarded.

**Dr. M. M. Das:** The total number was hundred, and four stipend holders backed out at the last moment; that is, they did not come to this country and there was no time left for fresh selection.

**Shri Bahadur Singh:** May I know what was the number of students from Asian countries, and the number from Commonwealth countries?

**Dr. M. M. Das:** I have not got that record with me, but I can give the number of students that are of Indian origin and students of non-Indian origin.

**Shrimati A. Kale:** May I know the names of the countries from which students are taken?

**Dr. M. M. Das:** Students have been taken from certain Asian, African and other Commonwealth countries.

**Dr. Suresh Chandra:** In view of the statement made by the hon. Minister

that there are students from Africa, may I know whether the Government have received any complaints regarding the treatment meted out to the African students?

**Dr. M. M. Das:** To students in Africa or here?

**Dr. Suresh Chandra:** Scholarships have been given here.

**Dr. M. M. Das:** No such information has been received by Government.

**Sardar Hukam Singh:** May I know whether any representations have been received from these countries—Asian or Commonwealth—for the increase of such scholarships and what attention has been paid to them?

**Dr. M. M. Das:** I cannot commit myself, but so far as I know, no such representations have been made up till now.

## कृत्रिम वर्षा

**\*५५७. सेठ गोविन्द दास :** क्या प्राकृतिक संसाधन तथा वैज्ञानिक गवेषणा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भारत को आस्ट्रेलिया से कृत्रिम वर्षा की विधि के अध्ययन के लिये अपना प्रतिनिधि भेजने का निमंत्रण मिला है ;

(ख) क्या कोई प्रतिनिधि भेजा जा रहा है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो कौन ?

**The Deputy Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Shri K. D. Malaviya):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Two scientists will be deputed.

(c) Selection has not yet been made.

**सेठ गोविन्द दास :** क्या इस सम्बन्ध में आस्ट्रेलिया से कोई वैज्ञानिक साहित्य भी प्राप्त हुआ है ?