*१५९४. सेठ गोविन्द दास : क्या राज्य मंत्री यह बताने की इत्या करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि राज्यों के एकीकरएग के समय राजस्थान के लोगों को यह आद्दवासन दिया गया था कि सीमा शुल्क घीरे घीरे हटा दिया जायेगा ; और

(स) यह आश्वासन कहां तक पूरा किया गया है ?

The Minister of Home Affairs and States (Dr. Katju): (a) The Government of Rajasthan have undertaken an obligation to abolish the Inter-State transit duties in the State by the end of 1954-55.

(b) The abolition of duties on certain $\operatorname{article}_S$ is expected to be achieved with the introduction of Sales Tax by the Rajasthan Government in the current year. The Government of India propose to examine the whole problem in the course of the year in consultation with the State Government.

सेठ गोविन्द दास : माननीय मंत्री जी ने मभी यह कहा कि १९४४-५५ में राजस्थान सरकार इस कर को हटाने वाली है, क्या जिस समय राजस्थान का एकीकरण हुग्रा उस समय यह १९४४-५५ का वर्ष नियत किया गया था या बाद में विचार कर के नियत किया गया है ?

डाः काटजूः मेरा ग्रनुमान यह है कि जब राजस्थान शामिल हुआ उसी वक्त यह कायम किया गया था । मुमकिन है कि छ महीने बाद हुआ हो, मगर मुद्दत जो है वःह मुकर्रर हो गई थी ।

Shri Shobha Ram: May I know whether it is a fact that the Government of India are contemplating to extend the time-limit?

Dr. Katju: I have stated in my reply that the question as a whole will be examined in connection with

not only Rajasthan but also Madhya Bharat, Hyderabad and Saurashtra. It will not be possible to anticipate what the decision will be.

Sardar Hukam Singh: May I know whether an assurance had been given that income-tax increase and customs decrease would move simultaneously, but in fact the position is that the increase in income-tax is going on every year, while the customs remain where they are?

Dr. Katju: I am not aware of any such assurance. Let both go on simultaneously. There is no harm.

CHILDREN'S CORNERS IN DELHI

*1595. Shrå S. N. Das: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal under the consideration of Government for developing children's corners in the City of Delhi; and

(b) if so, in what stage that proposal is?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das): (a) Yes, there is a proposal for establishing a Bal Bhavan in Delhi.

(b) The proposal is still in it_s initial stage but budget provision has been made for it.

Shri S. N. Das: May I know when this proposal is ilkely to be finalised?

Dr. M. M. Das: A Consultative Committee has been set up and that Committee is considering the question. The site of the proposed Balak Bhavan is being examined.

Shri S. N. Das: What is the estimated expenditure and the nature of the scheme?

Dr. M. M. Das: No scheme has been finally drawn up yet. But this year a sum of Rs. 5 lakh_g has been provided in the Budget.

Shri M. D. Ramasami: May I know whether such children's corners will