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HISTORY OF PREEDOM MOVEMENT

*947. Shri S. C. Samanta: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state what progress has been made in the collection of the material for the History of Freedom movement in the eastern region comprising West Bengal, Orissa and Assam?

The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad): Quite a large volume of materials has been collected and more is being collected. It is, however, not possible at this stage to give a detailed account.

HIND USTAN AIRCRAFT LIMITED

*963. Shri T. B. Vittal Bao: Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of railcoaches which have been built at Hindustan Aircraft Factory, Bangalore between the 1st April and the 31st August, 1954:
- (b) whether any steps have since been taken to increase the capacity of the Coach-building Section of the factory; and
- (c) if so, what are the steps so taken?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Shri Satish Chandra): (a) 66.

- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) Additional buildings are being constructed to provide more working space and for the installation of additional manufacturing capacity. Better and up-to-date equipment is also being obtained to increase the efficiency and to reduce the cost of production.

TECHNICAL AID BY U.S.S.R.

*966. Shri Mahodaya: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the U. S. S. R. also gives technical aid to the under-developed Countries under the auspices of the U. N. O. and extends facilities for technical

training of students from such countries:

- (b) if so, whether the terms offered by the U. S. S. R. are better than those offered by the United States of America; and
- (c) the steps that Government have taken or propose to take to avail of these facilities?

The Minister of Finance (Shri C. D. Deshmukh): (a) Yes, Sir

- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) The U.N.T.A.A. have been formed that the Government of India would be prepared to accept Russian experts if they are considered suitable and qualified for the jobs for which they are required and have a good working knowledge of English. As regards sending tranieees to U.S.S.R., the UNTAA have been informed that the Government of India intend to send, in the first instance, an exploratory team of senior officers to assess in certain fields what scope there would be for sending Indian candidates for advanced training U.S.S.R.

MUSEUM AT NAGARJUNAKONDA

*967. Shri Raghuramaiah: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to refer to the reply to starred question No. 880 asked on 10th March, 1954 and state whether any decision has since been taken regarding the shifting of the Museum at Nagarjunakonda in Andhra State?

The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad): No, Sir

SCHOLARSHIPS

*968. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state the total amount of scholarships granted by the Central Government to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and other Backward Classes students of Punjab State for education from August 1947 till date?