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## HOUSE OF THE PEOPLE

Tuesday, 15th July, 1952

The House met at a Quarter Past Eight of the Clock.

[Mr. Speaker in the Chair]
ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

UNESCO TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME

- \*1754. Sardar Hukam Singh: (a) Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state whether UNESCO provided any specialists to India during the year 1951-52 under the UNESCO Technical Assistance Programme?
- (b) If so, when are they expected to arrive?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) and (b). Yes. Unesco has agreed to provide 10 specialists for work in laboratories and institutions. Six of them have already come to India and negotiations are in progress regarding the rest.

Sardar Hukam Singh: To which technical institutions have these experts been assigned?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: Three of them have been assigned to the Indian Institute of Technology at Kharagpur, one to Lucknow, one to Poona, and one to the Delhi National Physical Laboratory.

**Sardar Hukam Singh:** Have the Unesco provided us the scientific equipment required?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: We have requested for certain equipments, and they have promised us some equipments worth about 30,000 dollars, but they have not yet arrived.

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Sardar Hukam Singh: May I know whether a scientific documentation centre is going to be established under this scheme?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: I will require notice for that.

Sardar Hukam Singh: May I know the number of Indians that have been given fellowships of the Unesco for training in these centres?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: I have not got the number here.

Shri M. S. Gurupadaswamy: May I know from which countries these experts have been drawn and for how many years they will stay in India?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: There are different agreements with these experts, and the agreement has been between the Unesco and the experts; but many of them are German experts.

Shri N. M. Lingam: Has any technician been sent to the Madras Institute of Technology? If not, why not?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: They have not been sent to the Madras Institute of Technology.

Shri S. C. Samanta: May I know, Sir, whether it is a fact that Unesco scholarships are being granted to those institutions only where these experts will be engaged?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: I am not aware of this

TECHNICAL CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAMME

\*1755. Shri Barman: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

- (a) the total amount that is available at present for the Technical Cooperative Programme as envisaged by Technical Co-operative Agreement of 5th January, 1952;
- (b) what are the agreed projects undertaken or approved so far and