

state how far the building construction of the Indian Institute of Technology at Kharagpur has progressed and when it is expected to be finished?

**The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad):** Approximately 30 per cent. of the Building programme has been completed. The staff quarters are expected to be completed by June, 1953 and the main Institute building by the end of 1954.

#### PSYCHOLOGICAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION

\*1020. **Shri S. C. Samanta:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) how much has been spent up to date on the Psychological Research Organisation;

(b) what are the Projects taken up by the Organisation and with what results; and

(c) whether all the officers of the Organisation are Indians?

**The Minister of Defence (Shri Gopalaswami):** (a) Approximately Rs. 4 lakhs.

(b) The projects deal with test construction and standardisation, Follow Up, improvement of selection methods and training of selection staff.

The new tests have been specially devised to suit Indian students. The system of selection is progressively improving and becoming more and more systematic, definite and accurate.

(c) Yes.

#### FERTILIZERS

\*1021. **Shri B. R. Bhagat:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether an agreement for the supply of fertilizers by the U.S. Government under the Indo-U.S. Technical Co-operation Agreement has been signed;

(b) if so, the quantity of fertilizers to be supplied; and

(c) when the supply will be made?

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

(b) 108,000 tons.

(c) It is expected that the fertilizers will begin to arrive from July 1952 and the supply will be completed by February 1953.

#### SCHEME OF TRAINING IN PRINTING

\*1023. **Shri M. L. Dwivedi:** (a) Will the Minister of Education be pleased to place on the Table of the House a copy of the Scheme of training in printing drawn out by the All-India Council for Technical Education and approved by Government?

(b) How many institutions for training in Printing Technology have since then been established both as Central and Regional Organisations?

(c) What is the number of trainees (State-wise) who were admitted for training in the institutions mentioned in part (b) above?

**The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad):** (a) A copy of the scheme is placed in the Library of the House.

(b) None.

(c) This does not arise.

#### APPLICATIONS TO REHABILITATION FINANCE ADMINISTRATION

\*1024. **Shri Vidyalkar:** (a) Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Government have received numerous complaints to the effect that,

(i) the applications received by the Rehabilitation Finance Administration are not disposed of expeditiously, and that it takes a long time for an applicant to be granted loan during which interval he consumes most of his own capital; and

(ii) that the enquiries of applicants are not properly and expeditiously attended to?

(b) If so, what action do Government propose to take in the matter?

**The Minister of Finance (Shri C. D. Deshmukh):** (a) (i) It is a fact that numerous complaints are received regarding the delay in the disposal of applications and the disbursement of sanctioned loans. As, however, the Administration have so far received 65,650 applications and a majority of these were received within a short period, a fairly long time must necessarily elapse before an applicant's turn for being dealt with can come. Disbursement also takes time because the applicants have to fulfil various terms and conditions like the securing of premises, trade licences, etc.