

(b) if so, whether this results in the closure of Primary Schools for a number of days at the beginning of each month; and

(c) whether Government propose to send the salaries of primary school Teachers by post?

The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Not in all cases. Only single-teacher schools of hill areas remain closed from one to three days according to the distance the teacher has to traverse.

(c) Yes, Sir, wherever postal facilities exist.

TRAINING OF TRIBAL YOUTHS

*1401. **Shri Deogam:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1688 on 24th December, 1954 regarding training of Tribal Youths and state:

(a) whether the information promised therein has since been collected; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad): (a) and (b). Efforts are being made to collect the information which will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

STENOGRAPHERS

*1402. **Shri R. K. Chaudhuri:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that displaced Stenographers included in the Central Secretariat Stenographers Service Scheme have not been allocated any quota for confirmation in the vacancies in grades I, II and III of the Central Secretariat Stenographers Service as has been done in the case

of displaced Assistants in the Central Secretariat Service;

(b) if so, whether this has adversely affected them; and

(c) the number of displaced Stenographers confirmed so far as against that of other categories of stenographers employed in the Central Secretariat?

The Deputy Minister of Home Affairs (Shri Datar): (a) The Central Secretariat Service provides for reservation of a quota of vacancies for displaced persons only in the lowest grade of that service, viz. Grade IV, and in no other. Even in this grade there was no reservation in respect of the two tests held by the Union Public Service Commission. In the Central Secretariat Stenographers' Service Scheme, on the other hand, no reservation was made. Confirmations in this Service followed the order of seniority only among those who qualified at one of the U.P.S.C. tests.

(b) This has not adversely affected the displaced stenographers who have had the same opportunities of confirmation as the others.

(c) Eighteen out of 555.

MURDERS IN DELHI

*1405. **Shri Radha Raman:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been an increase in the number of murders in Delhi during the last year;

(b) the total number of such cases and the localities where they have been committed;

(c) the total loss of life and property involved;

(d) how many of these cases have been finally investigated;

(e) how many persons have been punished and what was the nature of the punishment; and