

CLASS IV GOVERNMENT SERVANTS

*1767. **Shri S. C. Samanta:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any change in the liveries of Class IV Government servants since 1947;

(b) if so, the nature of those changes;

(c) the names of the Ministries which are supplying Khadi dresses to such servants; and

(d) the amount spent by these Ministries on Khadi dresses annually?

The Deputy Minister of Home Affairs (Shri Datar): (a) Yes.

(b) A statement showing the details of the liveries now in use and the changes made since 1947 is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VIII, annexure No. 59].

(c) and (d). The question of using Khadi for liveries is under consideration.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

*1768. **Shri Subodh Hasda:** Will the Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research be pleased to state whether it is a fact that some Geological parties have recently discovered the existence of Mica, Gypsum, Iron ore, Fire Clay, Ball Clay and Marble in the Bandhgarh area?

The Minister of Natural Resources (Shri K. D. Malaviya): A statement giving the information available is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VIII, annexure No. 60].

INSURANCE COMPANIES

*1769. **Shri Anirudha Sinha:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of premia, if any, paid by Government during 1953-54 to General Insurance Companies for insuring their properties against loss by fire, burglaries etc; and

(b) the nature of the properties that Government get insured?

The Minister of Revenue and Civil Expenditure (Shri M. C. Shah): (a) and (b). The normal policy of the Government as laid down in Rule 288 of the General Financial Rules (Vol. I) is not to insure its property. Relaxation from this rule has been made in certain cases full particulars relating to which are being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

COLOMBO PLAN

*1771. **Shri Raghunath Singh:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Mr. Nir Cavell, Colombo Plan Administrator of the Canadian Government visited Delhi recently and discussed with Government the programme for Canadian Assistance to India during the remaining part of the Colombo Plan; and

(b) if so, what is the result of these discussions?

The Minister of Revenue and Civil Expenditure (Shri M. C. Shah): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The plans discussed have not yet been finalized. They have to be approved on the one hand by the Canadian Government and on the other hand by our Government.

U.N. STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

*1772. **Shri Subodh Hasda:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the U.N. Students' Association of India is awarding a scholarship to an Indian graduate girl to study at Briarcliff College; and

(b) whether such a scholarship was awarded previously?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das): (a) The Government of India are not aware of this scholarship.

(b) Does not arise.