जा सकती तो कम से कम उन पेंशनरों को तो यह सुविधा दे ही दी जाय जो कि १५ ग्रगस्त १६४७ के बाद पेंशन पर गये हैं, ताकि वे स्वतंत्र भारत की नागरिकता का रसास्वादन कर सकें ?

सरदार मजीठिया : काफ़ी विचार के बाद यह फ़ैसला किया गया है ग्रीर इसमें ग्रब कोई फ़र्क नहीं पड़ सकता।

Sardar Iqbal Singh: May I know whether the Government propose to revise the pension scale of temporary commissioned officers because there exists a great amount of disparity in the scales of permanent commissioned officers and temporary commissioned officers?

Sardar Majithia: Temporary commissioned officers only came on a very temporary basis and originally they had no understanding of getting any pension.

श्री श्रजित सिंह: क्या मैं पूछ सकता हूं कि जो बैनिफ़िट्स दिये गये हैं उसमें जो रियासतों के साबिका फ़ौजी ये उनको भी शामिल किया गया है?

सरवार मजीठिया : यह तो उन फ़ौजियों के लिये है जो इंडियन घ्रार्मी में सर्व करते थे।

श्री प्रजित सिंह: मैं पूछना चाहता हूं कि इसमें रियासतों के भी फ़ौजी शामिल किये गये हैं या नहीं?

सरवार मजीठिया : मैं ने कहा है कि सभी रियासती फ़ौजो जो हैं उन सभी ने इंडियन ग्रार्मी में नौकरी नहीं की है। तो वह लाजिमी तौर पर उनमें नहीं हैं।

Air Accident

*2098. Shri Raghunath Singh: Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a single seater Jet Aircraft crashed on 9th July, 1955 at a distance of 64 miles form Hyderabad: and
 - (b) if so, the cause of the crash?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Sardar Majithia): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) The pilot lost control of the aircraft while practising aerobatics.
- Shri R. N. Singh: How old was the aircraft? Was it a seco d-hand ai craft?

Sardar Majithia: There is no question of a second hand aircraft. The aircraft was quite new. It was a Vampire.

Shri G. S. Singh: May I know whether it is not a fact that 10 per cent of the pilots trained in the Indian Air Force are killed within two years of the completion of their training and if so, how these figures compare with the figures in other countries?

Sardar Majithia: I do not know whether 10 per cent of the pilots are being killed. I am rather sceptical about that figure, but our rate of casualties is in no case more than in the air services in the other parts of the world.

Shri Joachim Alva: In view of the fact that the jets have come from the de Haviland factory in England, may I know wheth r an attempt is made to send our mechanics to England to watch the repairs and to have a periodical checkup of the aircraft once a year in England, in that factory, so that the knowledge obtained by us may be up-to-date in regard to these aircrafts?

Sardar Majithia: Our aircrafts are assembled at H. A. L. here, and therefore, the case of our aircrafts coming from England does not arise. I should like to assure the House that our technical knowledge, so far as these aircrafts are concerned, is fully up-to-date.

Reserve Bank

- *2099. Shri S. N. Das: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to refer to the reply given to starred question No. 556 on the 4th March, 1955 and state:
- (a) whether the Agricultural Credit Department of the Reserve Bank of India has since been reorganised and expanded as recommended by the Committee of Direction; and
- (b) if so, the present position in this regard?

The Minister of Revenue and Defence Expenditure (Shri A. C. Guha): (a) and (b). The relevant recommendation of the Committee of Direction of the All India Rural Credit Survey has been accepted by the Reserve Bank and a scheme for the reorganisation and expansion of the Agricultural Credit Department has recently been approved by the Central Board of the Reserve Bank. The Reserve Bank of India has been trying to expedite the implementation of the scheme which is expected soon to be done.