

(क) इस सम्बन्ध में जानकारी अभी उपलब्ध नहीं है ।

श्री के० सी० सोषिया : यह जो सिक्के डालने और नोट बनाने के आर्डर मिले हैं उन की कीमतें क्या हैं ?

श्री ए० [सी० गुह : मस्कत से आर्डर आया है ४ लाख १२ हजार पीसेज आफ १० बैजा और ४ लाख १२ हजार पीसेज आफ ५ बैजा ।

I do not know what are values of these coins in our rupees in their countries.

भूटान से २ लाख चांदी के टिकचुंग, वह भी वहां के रुपया वरीरह के बराबर होगा । नेपाल से ५० लाख १ रुपये वाले नोट, ३० लाख १० रुपये वाले नोट और १ लाख १०० रुपये वाले नोट का आर्डर आया है ।

श्री के० सी० सोषिया : अपने कारखानों की कितनी प्रतिशत मशीनें इस काम के लिये रिजर्व्ड हैं ?

श्री ए० सी० गुह : रिजर्व्ड या अलग कर के रखने की कोई जरूरत नहीं है । हमारे पास काफी मशीनें हैं, तमाम मशीनों से काम लिया जाता है ।

श्री के० सी० सोषिया : इस कारखाने में कितनी मशीनें बेकार पड़ी रहती हैं ?

श्री ए० सी० गुह : इस के वास्ते तो नोटिस चाहिये ।

**Shri A. M. Thomas** May I enquire whether it is a fact that the mints in our country, especially the expanded Calcutta mint, are not working to full capacity and that foreign orders are decreasing; and also that excess personnel is being retained pending the scheme for minting decimal coins?

**Shri A. C. Guha:** That is why it is not possible to give any definite figure as to what would be the actual profit in executing these orders because we have got surplus labour to maintain and the overhead charges are high. We are eager to have orders from foreign countries and we are also trying to get

them; but other countries may have their own considerations and they may also like to be self-sufficient in these matters.

#### Recruiting Centres for Air Force

\*1149. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to lay a statement on the Table of the House showing the number of recruiting centres for the Air Force Services and the names of the places where they are located?

**The Deputy Minister of Defence Sardar Majithia:** A statement giving the desired information is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VI, annexe No. 64].

**Shri D. C. Sharma :** From the statement I find that there are only 12 recruiting centres. May I ask the Government if there is a proposal to have at least one centre in each one of the States in India and whether such a proposal is under active consideration?

**Sardar Majithia :** I might just as well give the position for the information of the hon. Member. Apart from these centres which recruit only for the air force, there are other army centres spread out all over the country which also help us in getting hold of men for the air force.

**Shri D.C. Sharma :** May I know the approximate number of persons who offered themselves for recruitment during the current year or during the last year at these centres and how many of them were thought to be eligible?

**Sardar Majithia :** I am afraid I cannot give the number of recruits who offered themselves but I can certainly give you the figures of recruitment made. In 1953, it was 1,948; in 1954; it was 2,614. Upto the first half of the present year, 1955, it is 1,074.

**Shri D.C. Sharma :** May I know if after the attainment of Independence, there has been any increase in the number of centres, or whether the number remains as before

**Sardar Majithia :** The Government consider that the number of persons coming forward for recruitment is sufficient for our needs and therefore additional centres are not necessary at the moment.

**Shri Jhulan Sinha :** May I know whether the hardships experienced by the residents of Bihar in respect of their recruitment to the air force, owing to the absence of any centres in that State, have been brought to the notice of the Government, and if so, have the Government taken any decision in the matter?

**Sardar Majithia** : As I said, there are army centres which do recruit airmen for the air force, and as I have already stated, the numbers, that we are getting are sufficient for our needs, and therefore, additional centres are not necessary. In case the hon. Member has got any one in view, all that he has to do is to bring that person to the nearest recruiting centre, may be the army, and proper attention will be given to him.

**श्री भक्त दर्शन** : क्या मैं जान सकता हूँ कि इन पिछले पांच सात वर्षों में कौन कौन से ऐसे कदम उठाये गये हैं जिन से कि हमारे युवक अधिक से अधिक संख्या में वायु-सेना की ओर आकर्षित हों ?

**Sardar Majithia** : As I have already said more than once, the number of people coming forward for our air force is more than what we need, and therefore we do not have to take any more steps to get some more people.

**Shri U. C. Patnaik** : May I know if during the last three years Government have made any attempt to recruit for the Air Force Reserve or the Defence Reserve and the Auxiliary Air Force which were so enthusiastically approved by this House on 22nd August, 1952?

**Sardar Majithia** : To begin with, I do not think the question arises out of the main question tables here, but for the information of this House, I would like to repeat again what the Minister of Defence said last time during the budget debate, and that was, the air force is a young service. People, as yet, have not gone out of the service to go into the reserves. As and when the service grows, they will be taken into the reserves. So far as the Auxiliary Reserve is concerned, as the hon. Member knows, it is the civilian pilots who are already there and they will be embodied into the reserves. That potential is already there, and it does not require very much time to get them embodied.

### National Museum

\*1150. **Shri Ibrahim** : Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made so far in the establishment of a National Museum at New Delhi ; and

(b) the amount of money spent upto the 31st March, 1955 towards this scheme ?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das)** (a) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 65].

(b) Rs. 3,83,640.

**Shri Ibrahim** : May I know whether the construction of the building for the National Museum has begun, and if so, where it is to be located ?

**Dr. M.M. Das** : The Museum will be located at the crossing of the Queensway and Kingsway in the Princess Park on the southern side.

**Shri Syamnnandan Sahaya** : Is between the King and the Queen !

**Dr. M.M. Das** The foundation-stone of the building was laid by the Prime Minister on the 12th May last.

**Shri Meghnad Saha** : May I know if there is any other National Museum in the country ?

**Dr. M. M. Das** : If the hon. Member wants to know whether there are other museums with the same name, then I want notice. Of course, there is the Prince of Wales Museum in Bombay, the Indian Museum in Calcutta, and there are so many other museums.

**Shri Meghnad Saha** : May I know if, after the establishment of the National Museum at Delhi, the Government patronage of all these museums—the Prince of Wales Museum at Bombay, the Indian Museum at Calcutta and other museums—will stop altogether ?

**Dr. M. M. Das** : Certainly not. The Education Ministry has taken up the question and is trying to organise museums in this country, and perhaps the Government will come forward with financial grants if they are necessary.

**Shri Ibrahim** : May I know whether the Director or the Assistant Director has been appointed ? If not, why not ?

**Dr. M. M. Das** : The posts of Director and the Assistant Director of the National Museum are lying vacant at present. We have asked the Union Public Service Commission to advertise and secure a man for the post of assistant director. So far as the post of director is concerned, it is thought that it will be better to have the services of an expert museologist from abroad and for that reason we have approached the T.C.M. and the Colombo Plan Secretariat, and we have also written to our High Commissioner's Office in London and our Embassy at Washington to locate the person, an expert museologist, who will come here and serve for two or three years.