

श्री एम० एल० द्विवेदी : मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि जो सहायता हिन्दी शिक्षार्थियों को दी जाती है वह सरकारों के द्वारा दी जाती है या प्राइवेट इंस्टीट्यूशंस को भी दी जाती है जो कि इस काम को करते हैं ?

Dr. M.M.Das : There is some confusion. The reply I have given relates to financial aid given to State Governments for training Hindi teachers, not for other purposes. If the hon. Member wants the amount of financial assistance that has been given for promotion of Hindi, there is a separate list where almost all the States have been covered.

Shri T. S. A. Chettiar : In view of the fact that greater encouragement is necessary for the promotion of Hindi in non-Hindi areas, may I know whether there is any suggestion to the effect that in the Second Five Year Plan the share of the Central Government of the recurring expenditure given for stipends etc. should be increased ?

Dr. M. M. Das : At present, the Central Government are paying, I think, and I speak subject to correction, 66 per cent of the recurring as well as non-recurring expenditure. I do not know whether there is any proposal to increase that amount in the Second Five Year Plan.

Indian Navy

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

(a) whether it is a fact that in order to protect ships from Radio Activity water sprays are being fitted on the ships of other Navies; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken by the Government of India to get the ships of the Indian Navy fitted with similar water sprays ?

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

(b) Our new ships will be fitted with the necessary spraying equipment.

Shri Raghunath Singh : What about the old ships ?

Sardar Majithia : The old ships are not fitted with this equipment. And we are confident that we are not taking part in any war.

Shri Raghunath Singh : No question of taking part in war. This is a question of the effect of radio activity. May I know whether radio activity has affected our ships at any time ?

Shri M. S. Gurupadaswamy : And men also ?

Sardar Majithia : It never affected our ships at any time, and I do not think it will.

Shri M. L. Dwivedi : I want to know whether it has come to the notice of the Minister that a special Rosin fibre glass being used in modern ships. Is that is sort of material likely to be used by the Defence Ministry for naval purposes ?

Sardar Majithia : We will look into that question, when that comes up.

Aerodrome at Nasik

*389. **Shri Gidwani :** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that an Aerodrome is being constructed at Nasik.

(b) if so, what will be the cost of it construction; and

(c) when will it be completed ?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Sardar Majithia) : (a) No Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Shri C. Bhatt : If it is not an aerodrome, is it a landing ground ?

Sardar Majithia : It is neither an aerodrome, nor a landing ground.

बुद्ध जयन्ति

*३९१. श्री भक्त बर्मान : क्या शिक्षा मंत्री ८ सितम्बर, १९५५ को दिये गये तारांकित प्रश्न संख्या १५७९ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) बुद्ध भगवान के निर्वाण की २५०० वीं जयन्ती मनाने के सम्बन्ध में बौद्ध धर्म से सम्बन्धित या दिलचस्पी रखने वाले प्रमुख व्यक्तियों को निमंत्रण देने का जो प्रश्न विचाराधीन था उसके बारे में तब से या कोई अन्तिम निश्चय किया गया ? और

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो उन व्यक्तियों के नाम क्या हैं और वे किन किन देशों से आमंत्रित किये जा रहे हैं ?

सिखा मंत्री के सभासदत्व (डा० एम० एम० दास) : (क) १९५६ में २५०० वीं बुद्ध जयन्ती में शामिल होने के लिये बौद्ध देशों से लगभग १०० प्रमुख व्यक्तियों को निमन्त्रण देने का निर्णय किया गया है।

(ख) जिन व्यक्तियों को निमन्त्रण दिया जायेगा उनकी अन्तिम सूची अभी तैयार नहीं हुई है।

श्री भक्त बर्षान : क्या यह बताने की कृपा की जायेगी कि यह जो निमन्त्रण दिये जा रहे हैं, अथवा जो बहुत ही अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय महत्व का यह समारोह होने वाला है, उसके सम्बन्ध में क्या कोई विशेष समिति बनाई गई है और यदि बनाई गई है तो उसके सदस्य कौन कौन सज्जन हैं ?

Dr. M. M. Das : A high-power committee has been set up for this purpose with the Vice-President of the Indian Union as Chairman, and the Chief Ministers of U. P., Bihar and Bhopal as members.

श्री भक्त बर्षान : यद्यपि अभी उन व्यक्तियों के बारे में निर्णय नहीं हो पाया जिनको कि निमन्त्रण दिया जायेगा, क्या मैं इतना जान सकता हूँ कि किन देशों व संस्थाओं के प्रतिनिधियों को निमन्त्रण देने का विचार किया जा रहा है ?

Dr. M. M. Das : It is expected delegates will be invited from Canada, U.S.A. Ceylon, Burma, China, Indonesia, Yugoslavia, Tibet, U. S. S. R., Italy, Thailand, Nepal, France, U. K., Germany, Japan and Czechoslovakia.

डा० एम० एम० सिंह : क्या तिब्बत से दलाई लामा को भी आमंत्रित करने का विचार किया जा रहा है ?

Dr. M. M. Das : I have said that the list has not yet been finalised.

Shri B. D. Pande : What will be the basis of these invitations, religious, moral, spiritual, cultural ?

Shri Kamath : Diplomatic.

Dr. M. M. Das : Cultural.

Mr. Speaker : I must point out the attention of the hon. Member who has

just put his question that he has changed his seat.

Shri B. D. Pande : Sir, this was the seat of my predecessor.

Mr. Speaker : But he used to occupy a seat there.

Shri B. D. Pande : I was invited by some of my friends to come here and so I came here.

Mr. Speaker : He may not now change his seat he may stick to it.

श्री एम० एम० द्विवेदी : मैं यह जानना चाहता था कि

Mr. Speaker : He may just remember his question and then put it.

Invitation to Marie Seton

*392. Shri Heda : Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Miss Marie Seton of the British Film Institute, London has been invited to India ; and

(b) if so, the purpose of the invitation ?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das); (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) To lecture to groups interested in audiovisual education and the cinema.

Shri Heda : May I know if such invitations have been extended to educationists or personalities from other countries also and, if so, may I know their names ?

Dr. M. M. Das : I have no information whether educationists of other countries have been invited.

Shri M. L. Dwivedi : Now, I remember my question, Sir.

Mr. Speaker : Not now.

Shri Heda : What will be the total expenditure on this ?

Dr. M. M. Das : A sum of only Rs. 3,000 was made available to Miss Marie Seton by the Government of India for meeting her travelling expenses in India.

Shri Heda : Since the amount sanctioned is so meagre, may I know whether the proposal originated from U.K. ?

Dr. M. M. Das : Sir, we sent out invitation, we invited.