

The Deputy Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix XIV, annexure No. 16.]

STATE SOCIAL WELFARE ADVISORY BOARDS

***2361. Shri Bheekha Bhai:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to State:

(a) whether it is a fact that the activities of the State Social Welfare Advisory Boards have not touched the fringe of the Scheduled areas of the various States; and

(b) the number of tours that have been undertaken during 1955-56 by the staff of the various State Boards in those areas?

The Deputy Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha as soon as possible.

ASSAM OIL FIELDS

***2369. Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:** Will the Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research be pleased to refer to the reply given to a supplementary question raised on Starred Question No. 1722 on the 25th April, 1956 and state:

(a) whether assessment has been made of the quantity of oil in the new finds of Assam oil fields; and

(b) if so, the results thereof?

The Minister of Natural Resources (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) and (b). The Assam Oil Company have obtained an estimate over part of the area through a firm of consultants as amounting to about 18 million tons.

MILITARY TRAINING

***2373. Shri H. G. Vaishnav:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 2035 on the 8th May, 1956 and state the approximate number of civilians who will be given Military training till the end of 1956?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Sardar Majithia): The scheme is being run as an experimental measure at three centres and each centre is designed to train 120 volunteers at a time. The training is given until a candidate becomes proficient. In absence of a prescribed minimum duration of the training, the total number likely to be trained by the end of 1956 cannot be forecast.

TRIBAL FOLK-SONGS

***2377. Shri Deogam:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state whether any steps have been taken to collect and publish tribal folk-songs in various tribal languages as an aid to Social Education among the Tribals?

The Deputy Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das): The matter is under consideration.

I.A.S. EMERGENCY RECRUITMENT

***2386. Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons which influenced Government in prescribing a monthly income of Rs. 300 as a condition of eligibility for recruitment to the I. A. S.;

(b) whether in the case of a non-Government servant, pay and all allowances will constitute the income required under the qualifications;

(c) if so, the reasons why in the case of a Government servant, pay and dearness allowance have only been taken into account and not the total emoluments; and

(d) whether Government propose to consider the question of including the total emoluments of Government servants for the purpose of computing the income?

The Minister of Home Affairs (Pandit G. B. Pant): (a) The Special Recruitment to the I.A.S. is intended for selection of persons with experience. One of the criteria on which experience can be evaluated is the income derived therefrom. From this point of view, an income level of Rs. 300 p.m. is not excessive.

(b) No; only Dearness Allowance is included, and that is both for Government servants and for non-Government servants.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No.

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*२३६८. श्री भक्त बर्धन : क्या शिक्षा मंत्री २ मार्च, १९५६ के तारंकित प्रश्न संख्या ४०६ के उत्तर के संबंध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि हिन्दी टाइपरायटरों के की-बोर्डों के प्रमापीकरण के लिये नियुक्त विशेष समिति की सिफारिशों के बारे में अन्तिम निर्णय करने में अब तक क्या प्रगति हुई है ?

शिक्षा उपमंत्री (डा० एम० एम० दास) : दिसम्बर, १९५५ में प्रकाशित अन्तिम टाइपरायटर की-बोर्ड पर जो सुझाव प्राप्त हुए थे उनके प्रकाश में की-बोर्डों को अन्तिम रूप दिया जा रहा है ।

TRANSFER OF HYDERABAD FUND TO PAKISTAN

*2389. **Shri Krishnacharya Joshi:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made in the case of Hyderabad money illegally transferred to Pakistan by Shri Moin Nawaj Jung; and

(b) how the case stands to day?

The Minister of Home Affairs (Pandit G. B. Pant): (a) and (b). The case is still pending in courts in the United Kingdom.

SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUMENTS

*2390. **Shri Gadilingana Gowd:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the U.S. International Co-operation Administration on the 7th April, 1956 announced new authorisations for the purchase of scientific and professional instruments for use in India;

(b) if so, the total amount of authorisations; and

(c) the name of the agency through which the procurement of the equipment will be carried?

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shri B. R. Bhagat): (a) The announcement related to the issue of a purchase authorisation for the procurement of some equipment for the Health Research and Education Project, an Agreement in respect of which was signed on the 30th of June 1955. Copies of this Agreement are in the library of the House.

(b) The amount provided in the authorisation was \$6,670.

(c) The India Supply Mission, Washington will procure the equipment.

NEGOTIATING MACHINERY MEETING

*2391. { **Shri P. L. Kureel :**
Shri G. L. Chaudhary :

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that certain *ex-parte* decisions were taken in the Negotiating Machinery Meeting held on the 31st January, 1955 between the Government and the All India Defence Employees Federation disturbing the seniority of clerks not represented by the Federation;

(b) whether various representations have been made by the Associations representing regular clerks against the wrong done to them; and

(c) if so, the action taken to rectify matters?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Sardar Majithia): (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix XIV, annexure No. 17.]

FINANCING OF CHURCHES

*2392. **Shri Ibrahim:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of money received from foreign countries during 1955-56 for financing and maintaining the Churches in India; and