promoting the training of the handicapped have been included in the Third Plan.

(b) They have been implemented.

प्रयोगशालाभ्रों में रिक्त स्थान

२२३५. श्री तिद्धेश्वर प्रसाद[ै]ः क्या वैज्ञानिक श्रनुसवान श्रीर सांस्कृतिक-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

- (क) क्या यह सच है कि अनेक प्रयोग-शालाओं में अनेक स्थान रिक्त पड़े हैं;
- (ख) यदि हाँ तो फिन-फिन में ग्रौर कब से ; ग्रौर
- (ग) इसका क्या कारण है फ्रीर इन स्थानों को भरने के लिये क्या कदम उठाये गये हैं?

यंज्ञानिक अनुसंघान और सांस्कृतिक-काय अंत्री (ओ हुमायून् किंबर) : (क) और (ख). जी हाँ। सभी राष्ट्रीय प्रयोगशालाओं/ इंस्टीट्यूटों में एक वर्ष से कम से लेकर दो वर्ष से ज्यादा तक के कुछ स्थान खाली पड़े हैं।

(ग) मुख्य कारण म्रावश्यक योग्यता ग्रौर म्रनुभव वाले कर्मचारियों की कमी है। भर्ती जारी है ग्रौर जब कभी उपयुक्त लोग मिलते हैं तो नियुक्तयां कर दी जाती है या प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रमों की व्यवस्था की जाती है।

चीनी बन्दियों का प्रत्यावतन

श्री सिद्धेश्वर प्रसाव : श्री ग्रोंकार लाल बुरेवा : श्री प्र० चं० बरुग्रा : श्री राम हरख यादव : श्री दी० चं० शर्मा :

क्या गृह-काय मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि चीनी बन्दियों को ले जाने के लिए चीद सरकार ने जहाज भेजा था; श्रीर (ख) यदि हाँ, तो कितने चीनी बन्दियों को वापस भेजा जा चुका है और फितनों को स्रभी भेजा जाना है?

गृह-कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य-मंत्री (श्री हजरनवीस) : (क्ष) जी हाँ।

(ख) प्रथम बैच में गये चीनी बिन्दयों की संख्या ८७८ है। ऐसे व्यक्तियों की संख्या जो ध्रगले बैच में स्वदेश जाने के लिये इच्छा प्रपट करेंगे अभी ज्ञात नहीं है।

Scheduled Castes in Orissa

2237. Shri Rama Chandra Mallick: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state the causes of the fall in the population figures of the Scheduled Castes of Orissa State in the Census of 1961?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shrimati Chandrasekhar): A preliminary examination of the 1961 Census figures shows that the population of Scheduled Castes in 1961 has not shown the same rate of increase over the 1951 Census as the general population. The position has also been affected to some extent by the Scheduled Castes and Tribes Lists (Modifications) Order, 1956 under which certain Scheduled Castes in Orissa were transferred to the Scheduled Tribes.

Tribal Blocks in Orissa

2238. Shri Ulaka: Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of tribal blocks opened so far in Orissa since the first year of the Third Plan period;
- (b) the names of districts where opened; and
- (c) the total amount sanctioned by the Centre to Orissa Government for the said purpose during the same period so far?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shrimati

Chandrasekhar): (a) Twelve (six blocks were started in 1961-62 and six in 1962-63).

(b) Ganjam

Sambalpur

Mayurbhanj

Koraput

Phulbani

Sundergarh.

(c) A sum of Rs. 10:00 lakhs is allotted by the Ministry of Home Affairs to each block to be spent over a period of 5 years, in addition to the provision of Rs. 12:00 lakhs from the Ministry of Community Development, Panchayati Raj and Co-operation under the Community Development programme. Thus a T.D. Block is entitled to get on an average Rs. 4:40 lakhs per year from the combined budget of the Ministry of Home Affairs and the Ministry of Community Development, Panchayati Raj and Co-operation. If there is a shortfall in expenditure in a particular year, it is carried forward for being spent during the subsequent years.

Denotified Tribes

2239. Shri Ram Harkh Yadav: Shri P. R. Chakraverti:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps adopted or proposed to be adopted by Government to improve the lot of the Denotified Tribes in the country; and
- (b) the number of such tribes at present?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shrimati Chandrasekhar): (a) The following schemes have been undertaken to improve the lot of the Denotified Tribes in the country during the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Five Year Plan periods:—

First Five Year Plan

 Establishment of settlements and colonies.

- Assistance in the field of agriculture.
- (3) Co-operative Societies and industrial centres.
- (4) Educational centres, including schools and Ashrams.
- (5) Stipends and scholarships.

Second and Third Five Year Plans

- (1) Schools including Ashram schools.
- (2) Stipends and scholarships.
- (3) Subsidy for agriculture.
- (4) Supply of plough bullocks.
- (5) Supply of seed and implements.
- (6) Irrigation wells.
- (7) Rehabilitation and colonisation.
- (8) Cottage industries.
- (9) Communications.
- (10) Housing.
- (11) Drinking water wells.

The total expenditure incurred during the 1st and 2nd Plan periods was Rs. 1:30 Crores and Rs. 2:48 Crores, respectively. The amount allotted for the 3rd Plan period is about Rs. 4:00 Crores.

(b) A_S Denotified Tribes were not enumerated separately at the 1961 census, the population figures are not available.

Visit of Indrani Rehman's Troupe to Sikkim

2240. Shri Marandi: Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Shrimati Indrani Rehman and her troupe were sent to Gangtok, the Capital of Sikkim, on the 20th March, 1963 on the marriage ceremony of Maharajkumar of Sikkim to give a few performances; and
- (b) if so, the expenses incurred thereon?