

(a) whether a separate university was demanded by the All Party Hill Leaders for Assam's Hill Districts during their recent talks with Government Ministers at New Delhi; and

(b) if so, Government's decision on this demand?

The Minister of Education (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The matter is under consideration of the Government.

Refinery Agreement

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 Shri Raghunath Singh:
 Shri D. C. Sharma:
 Shri P. R. Chakraverti:
 Shri P. C. Borooah:
 Shri Maheswar Naik:
 Shri A. N. Vidyalkar:
 Shrimati Jyotsna Chanda:
 Shri Mohan Swarup:
 Shri Vasudevan Nair:
 Shri Morarka:
 Shri Ravindra Varma:
 Shri Kajrolkar:

Will the Minister of **Petroleum and Chemicals** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Burmah Shell and ESSO have offered to terminate the refinery agreement with Government subject to certain safeguards;

(b) if so, the nature of these safeguards; and

(c) the decision taken by Government in the matter?

The Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals (Shri Hamayun Kabir):

(a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The safeguards relate mainly to the import of crude, profitability of the refinery and availability of foreign exchange. ESSO has, in addition, asked for a safeguard regarding future expansion.

(c) Discussion is in course with Burmah-Shell.

Care Contribution to School Midday Meals

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 Shri P. R. Chakraverti:
 Shri P. C. Borooah:

Will the Minister of **Education** be pleased to state:

(a) the contribution of CARE in providing free midday meal to children in schools;

(b) which States have accepted CARE project (School feeding programme) and the number of children already benefited by it;

(c) the proportion of the costs borne by the States where the project has come into operation; and

(d) whether it is a fact that CARE has decided to spend nearly Rs. 20 crores next year on this programme for 7 million school children between the ages of 5 and 11?

The Minister of Education (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) CARE gives milk powder, corn-flour and vegetable oil free of cost for the midday meals programme.

(b) Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Madras, Mysore, Punjab and Rajasthan. Six million children have benefited.

(c) The Centre and States share the expenditure in the proportion of 1 : 2.

(d) The CARE programme in 1964-65 is expected to cover 8 million children and the value of commodities received would be about Rs. 18 crores.

Revision of List of S.C. & S.T.

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 Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:
 Shri N. R. Laskar:
 Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:
 Shrimati Savitri Nigam:
 Shri Siddiah:
 Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of **Home Affairs** be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work on revision of lists of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes has been completed; and