

ed to state:

- (a) the amount of paper currency with the King's head in circulation at present;
- (b) the amount of paper currency stamped with the national design in circulation at present;
- (c) the amount of paper and metallic currency in circulation at present; and
- (d) the date of withdrawing the Travancore Metallic currency?

The Minister of Finance (Shri C. D. Deshmukh): (a) and (b). On the 31st December, 1952, the total circulation of King's Head notes excluding notes of the denominational value of rupees hundred was about Rs. 586 crores and the total circulation of Asoka Pillar design notes excluding notes of the denominational value of rupees hundred was Rs. 39 crores. The total circulation of notes of the denominational value of rupees hundred of both the designs was about Rs. 488 crores. Separate figures relating to notes of the denominational value of rupees hundred of King's Head design and of Asoka Pillar design are not readily available.

(c) On the above mentioned date, the total Paper currency in circulation was Rs. 1113 crores and one rupee notes and coins in circulation were Rs. 127 crores. The particulars regarding small coins in circulation are not readily available.

(d) The withdrawal of Travancore Metallic currency started on 1st October, 1950, and with effect from 1st April, 1953, that currency will cease to be legal tender in that State.

#### LIME HILLS IN MANIPUR

337. Shri I. J. Singh: Will the Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research be pleased to state:

- (a) how many lime hills there are in Manipur;
- (b) the extent of these lime hills;
- (c) the quantity of production from these hills and whether they can produce exportable quantities; and
- (d) what steps Government have taken to increase production from these lime hills?

The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad): (a) to (d). A statement giving the information required is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 44]

#### COMPULSORY ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

338. Shri T. S. A. Chettiar: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state in which States there is the system of compulsory elementary education at present?

The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad): The question concerns the State Governments.

#### ARCHAEOLOGICAL FINDS AT RUPAR

339. Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state the nature of the finds unearthed by the Archaeological Department at Rupar in the Punjab?

The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad): The finds unearthed to date include copper and lead coins, beads, clay sealings, bone and ivory objects and a large quantity of pottery, belonging to different periods. Among the structures revealed are buildings of mud, mud-brick, kiln burnt brick and stone.

#### FOREIGN NATIONALS IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE

340. Shri Heda: (a) Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state what is the total number of foreign Nationals in the Defence and Railway Ministries at the end of the year 1952?

(b) What is the highest salary paid to any of them?

The Minister of Home Affairs and States (Dr. Katju): (a) The number of Non-Indians serving in the Secretariat posts in the two Ministries is as follows:—

Defence Ministry.	1
Railway Ministry.	13
Total	14

Information relating to the non-Secretariat posts in the field organisations under these Ministries is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(b) The highest salary is paid to an officer in the Railway Ministry who gets ₹ 3250 per annum.

#### ADVISERS IN PART 'B' STATES

341. Shri Heda: (a) Will the Minister of States be pleased to state what was the total number of advisers in part 'B' States as on the 26th January, 1953?