

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF LETTERS

*153. **Shri K. P. Sinha:** (a) Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state whether the National Academy of Letters has been established?

(b) If so, where are its Headquarters?

The Deputy Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research (**Shri K. D. Malaviya**): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The headquarters of the Academy will be at New Delhi.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

ALLOTMENT OF SYMBOLS TO POLITICAL PARTIES

*154. **Sardar A. S. Saigal:** Will the Minister of Law be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the all-India political party symbols were allotted for the State Assembly and House of the People by the Election Commissioner;

(b) whether the all-India symbols can be used for election to local bodies by the various State Governments;

(c) whether permission to use the all-India symbols for election to local bodies was sought by the Madhya Pradesh Government; and

(d) whether at the recent election on the 25th May, 1953 to the Bilaspur Municipal Committee in Madhya Pradesh State, the use of all-India symbols by the various parties was recommended by the Election Commissioner?

The Minister of Law and Minority Affairs (**Shri Biswas**): (a) It is a fact that at the General Elections certain symbols were allotted by the Election Commission to the all-India political parties for use at Parliamentary elections as well as elections to the State Legislative Assemblies.

(b) and (c). At the instance of the Madhya Pradesh Government in October 1952, the Election Commis-

sion agreed to the use of these symbols at elections to local bodies in all the States.

(d) No.

GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES UNDER FIVE YEAR PLAN

*155. **Shri Amjad Ali:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the existing universities in India which are getting grants out of the Five Year Plan showing the amount in each case;

(b) whether the residential universities are getting no financial aid out of this fund; and

(c) whether it is the policy of Government for expansion of education in India, to maintain and create more controlling universities than residential?

The Deputy Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research (**Shri K. D. Malaviya**): (a) A statement showing the names of Indian Universities to which grants have been paid under the Five Year Plan during the year 1952-53 is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 51.]

(b) No, Sir. The basis on which grants have been made to Indian Universities under Five Year Plan have been stated in another statement laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 52.]

(c) No, Sir.

INDIAN NAVY FOR THE CORONATION

*156. **Shri A. N. Vidyalkar:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a part of Indian Navy participated in the naval display in Britain in connection with the Coronation;

(b) the number of vessels that were deputed;

(c) the total cost incurred; and