(b) if so, up to what digits it would solve the equation?

The Minister of Finance (Shri C. D. Deshmukh): (a) Yes, Sir. The Indian Statistical Institute, Calcutta, has built an "Analogue Machine" for solving linear equations and related problems.

(b) The machine can solve equations upto an accuracy of three decimal digits.

ANCIENT MONUMENTS IN AGRA

*125. Shri B. C. Das: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state the strength and conditions of employment of the staff employed for the upkeep and maintenance of the historical buildings and monuments in Agra and Fatehpur Sikri?

The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad): 10 permanent employees and 87 Work-charged employees. The conditions of service are indicated in brief in the statement placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 25.]

LIMESTONE IN SAURASHTRA

- *126. Shri T. B. Vittal Rac: Will the Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that limestone reserves suitable for the manufacture of portland cement have been discovered in Saurashtra; and
- (b) approximately how much quantity of these limestone reserves has been discovered and how much would be the quantity of portland cement manufactured, if they are properly exploited?

The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 64 million tons approximately.

It is estimated that the quantity would be more than sufficient for a 1,000 tons per day cement manufacturing plant based on a calculation of 20 years reserve.

PAY SCALES IN MANIPUR

- *127. Shri Rishang Keishing: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the Assam pay scale has been introduced in Manipur with retrospective effect from 1st April, 1950;
- (b) if so, the number of teachers who have been benefited by the new scale as well as the number of those who have not been benefited thereby;
- (c) the reason, if any, why they have not been given the benefit of the new pay scale;
- (d) when a final decision will be taken in respect of those cases which were pending, when the order was issued; and
- (e) whether Government contemplate to recruit a new batch of teachers, as a result of the introduction of the new scales of pay?

The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad): (a) to (e). The information is being collected from the State Government and the reply will be laid on the Table of the House in due course.

SODEPUR GLASS WORKS LTD

- *128. Shri Gidwani: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to refer to the reply to unstarred question No. 765 asked on the 27th March, 1953 and state:
- (a) whether Government have come to any decision regarding the case of the Sodepur Glass Works Ltd., which had been given a loan of Rs. 40.000 by the Industrial Finance Corporation; and
 - (b) if so, what?

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shri A. C. Guha): (a) and (b). The total amount of the loans given by the Industrial Finance Corporation to the Sodepur Glass Works Ltd., is Rs. 50 lakhs. The loans have been given by the Industrial Finance Govporation and Government understands