

**The Deputy Minister of Home Affairs (Shri Datar):** (a) and (b). The number of cases reported during the period is 3277.

#### INCOME-TAX CONCESSIONS

\*130. **Shri E. K. Chaudhuri:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state whether any general or specific direction has been given not to take any coercive measures for realisation of arrears of income-tax in the areas affected by recent floods and against individuals who had suffered from serious damage to property and heavy losses in business due to floods?

**The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shri M. C. Shah):** No Sir.

#### DR. PETER MANNICHE'S TOUR OF INDIA

\*132. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recommendations made by Dr. Peter Manniche have been considered; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to implement them?

**The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad):** (a) and (b). The suggestions made by Dr. Peter Manniche have been referred to the Committee on Higher Rural Education appointed by the Government of India for consideration of a suitable pattern for higher education in rural areas.

#### LIGNITE

97. **Shri V. P. Nayar:** Will the Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research be pleased to lay on the Table of the House a statement giving the details of the latest analysis of lignite in (i) Neiveli Area (ii) Varkala formations of Travancore-Cochin State (iii) Beypore and other places in Malabar and similar details of analysis of lignite ash of the above places?

**The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad):** A statement giving the information available is

attached. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 24.]

#### INDIAN STUDENTS IN U. S. A.

98. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state the annual average number of students going to the United States of America for higher education since 1948?

**The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad):** Approximately 460. (Average of figures for the period from January 1948 to December, 1953).

#### GIFTS FOR FLOOD RELIEF

99. **Dr. Rama Rao:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to refer to the reply given to S. Q. No. 1128 asked on the 20th September, 1954 and state.

(a) the names of the foreign countries from where gifts for flood relief have since been received;

(b) the source, form and the value of each country's gift; and

(c) the organisations through which the gifts were distributed among the people?

**The Deputy Minister of Home Affairs (Shri Datar):** (a) to (c). The information asked for is already being collected with reference to part (c) of Shri Buchhikotiah's Starred Question No. 1128 answered on the 20th September, 1954, and a statement will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

#### INDUSTRIAL CONCERNS

100. **Shri V. P. Nayar:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to lay on the Table of the House a statement showing the following details about the foreign owned business and industrial enterprises in India which have passed from foreign to Indian hands since 15th August, 1947 to 15th October, 1954 (year-wise):

(a) the names of the companies and the names of the Indian companies which took over;