डालर १९५'-५३ में मिल गये थे), क्या उसके सम्बन्ध में ग्रब धीर कोई रक्तम प्राप्त हो गयी है;

- (स) यदि प्राप्त हो गयी है, तो कितनी ;
- (ग) यूनाइटेड निगडम से पौंड पावने में से जो रक्तम निकाली जाने वाली थी, क्या वह निकाशी गई है और यदि निकाली गई है, तो कितनी ;
- (घ) भास्ट्रेलिया सरकार ने अन्तिम रूप से कितनी रक्तम की सहायता देने का वचन दिया था; भ्रौर उसमें से कितनी रक्म वास्तव में मिल गई है;
- (ङ) कोलम्बो योजना के अन्तर्गत अगस्त, १९५४ तक िन किन देशों से ंकितनी कितनी घन-राशि प्राप्त हो चुकी हैं; भौर
 - (च) इन प्राप्त धनराशियों से जो काम हुआ है, क्या उसका एक विवरण सदन-पटल पर रखा जायेगा ?

The Minister of Finance (Shri C. D. Deshmukh): (a) and (b). The Government of New Zealand has promised £ 1 million and not Rs. 10 lakhs for the establishment of the All India Medical Institute. So far we have drawn only £ 250,000. As the work progresses, more amounts will be drawn.

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) The final authorisation of aid by Australia during 1953-54 is approximately £(A) 1.5 million. No amount has, however, been actually received.
- (e) and (f). The value of the stores and equipment received upto August. 1954, from the Colombo Plan countries for various purposes are:—

Courtry Amount Purpose
(In Lakhs of Rupees)

Australia 430 Wheat and flour and equipment for Tungabhadra and Ramagundam Projects in Hyderabad.

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Canada	932	Wheat, bus chassis and engines for Bombay State Road Transpo.t Corporation, Boilers for Railways and part of the equipment for Mayurakshi Project West Bengal.
New Zealand	33	Received in cash for the establishment of the All India Medi- cal Institute.

DIAMOND FIELDS

228. Sardar Iqbal Singh: Will the Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any survey has been conducted about the diamond fields existing in India and the quality of diamonds obtained from them; and
- (b) the steps taken to step up the production of diamonds?

The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad): (a) Yes, Sir. A statement giving the information available is attached. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 20.]

(b) Exploitation of minerals is the responsibility of State Governments.

SCIENTISTS TOUR OF THE HIMALAYAS

- 229. Sardar Iqbal Singh: Will the Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research be pleased to state:
- (a) whether an expedition of scientists recently toured the Himalayas;
- (b) the names of the members of the party and the purpose of the expedition;
 - (c) who organized this expedition;
- (d) which part of the Himalayan region did they cover; and
- (e) the help rendered by Government in this connection?

The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad): (a) to (e). A statement giving the available informa-