

how many persons are working there at present;

(c) the nature of the finds; and

(d) whether it is a fact that non-official excavations were also carried on and many valuable finds, were deposited in the Ashutosh College Museum, Calcutta?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The work began in March, 1955. Information about the number of persons working there is not readily available.

(c) Pottery including Rouletted Ware; terracotta figurines of Sunga and Mauryan period, sherds depicting representation of punch-marked coins and neolithic celts.

(d) Government have no information.

#### EXPENDITURE ON EDUCATION

**1173. Shri Ibrahim:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) Whether it is a fact that Government have suggested to the State Governments to progressively raise their expenditure on Education to twenty-five per cent. of the total budget allocation; and

(b) if so, the response of the State Governments to this?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

#### RE-ORGANIZATION OF THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

**1174. Shri Ibrahim:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to reorganize the Ministry of Home Affairs; and

(b) if so, the nature and extent of the reorganization envisaged?

**The Deputy Minister of Home Affairs (Shri Datar):** (a) There is no such proposal.

(b) Does not arise.

#### CENTRAL LAWS

**1175. Shri Hem Raj:** Will the Minister of Law be pleased to state:

(a) whether any up-to-date inventory has been prepared of the Central laws which have become obsolete in the various States of the Union in consequence of Article 13(1) of the Constitution; and

(b) if so, whether a copy of it will be laid on the Table of the House?

**The Minister in the Ministry of Law (Shri Pataskar):** (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

#### RED FORT

**1176. Shri G. L. Chaudhary:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) the number of visitors who visited the Red Fort, Delhi in the year 1954;

(b) the total gate fees collected there during the year; and

(c) the number of free passes issued to the visitors during the same period?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das):** (a) 4,55,235.

(b) Rs. 56,149/-.

(c) No figures are available.

#### RUINS OF OLD TEMPLES

**1177. Shri G. L. Chaudhary:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some ruins of old temples have been found recently in the Sitapur District of Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the nature of the articles discovered there?