

**The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad) :** (a) Loan nil; Subsidy Rs. 9,350/-.

(b) No, Sir.

#### Oil Wells

**\*979. Shri Raghunath Singh :** Will the Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research be pleased to state on how many new oil wells drilling operations have been commenced during the last six months ?

**The Minister of Natural Resources (Shri K. D. Malaviya) :** Five new wells.

#### Grants to Public Schools

**628. Shri V. P. Nayar :** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state whether Government are giving annual grant to any of the "Public Schools" in Delhi?

**The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad) :** No, Sir.

#### Rehabilitation Finance Administration

**629. Shri Biren Dutt :** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state :

(a) how many applications for loans from displaced persons residing in Tripura are pending with the Rehabilitation Finance Administration;

(b) how many applications have been granted during 1954-55 and 1955-56 so far ; and

(c) the reasons for delay, if any, in sanctioning loans to these applicants?

**The Minister of Revenue and Defence Expenditure (Shri A. C. Guha) :** (a) Statewise statistics for applications received are not maintained and so the figure is not readily available.

(b) Loans sanctioned to Displaced persons who have settled in Tripura State were—

during 1954-55	55
1955-56	

(upto November, 1955) . 4

(c) Some delay in sanctioning the loans occurs, generally on account of the fact that applications are taken up for consideration according to the date of their receipt. In the case of industrial loan applications some delay is also caused by the fact that reports from the respective State Governments are to be obtained before finalisation.

#### Recognition of Indian Degrees in Malaya

**630. Shri Shree Narayan Das :** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether efforts made by the Government of India for recognition of degrees of Indian Universities by the Government of Malaya have borne fruit; and

(b) if so, the present position in this regard?

**The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad) :** (a) and (b). The Government of Singapore and the Federation of Malaya do not recognise at par any degree of the Indian Universities excepting degrees in Medicine which are recognised by the General Medical Council of the United Kingdom and other degrees which are recognised by the University of Malaya. The University of Malaya, however, have repeatedly informed that they are prepared to consider only individual cases, on merits. The Government of India are continuing to make efforts to secure a general recognition.

#### Infantry School, Mhow

**631. { Sardar Hukam Singh ;  
Shri Bahadur Singh ;**

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) the number of officers who have passed the Junior and Senior Commander Courses in the Infantry School, Mhow during the last 5 years; and

(b) the number among them who were taken in to permanent Regular Commission in the Army?

**The Deputy Minister of Defence (Sardar Majithia) :** (a) 1290 Regular and Non-Regular officers have passed the Junior Commanders' Course and 386 Regular Officers have passed the Senior Officers Course.

(b) Out of Non-Regular Officers who passed the Junior Commanders' course, 54 have been granted permanent Regular Commissions.

#### Armed Forces Headquarters Employes

**632. { Sardar Hukam Singh ;  
Shri Bahadur Singh ;**

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) the number of personnel employed at present in the Armed Forces Headquarters in Delhi;