GRANTS-IN-AID TO STATES

Written Answers

1076. Shri Bibhuti Mishra: Shri Krishnacharya Joshi:

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of grants-in-aid given to various States in the year 1954-55 and 1955-56 upto the 31st January, 1956; and
- (b) whether grants-in-aid are given to various States on population basis or there is some other criterion?

The Minister of Finance (Shri C. D. Deshmukh): (a) Grants given to the State Governments in 1954-55 amounted approximately to Rs. 65 crores. Actual figures of grants for 1955-56 up to the 31st January, 1956, are not readily available, but the total provision included in the revised estimates for 1955-56 amounts to about Rs. 116 crores.

(b) Apart from statutory grants under the Constitution, grants are given for a variety of purposes. The more important ones are Grow More Food, Rehabilitation of Displaced Community Development Persons, Projects. National Extension Service, Basic and Social Education, Welfare Backward Classes. Industrial Housing, Local Works, Khadi & Handloom Development, Small Scale and Village Industries, National Water Supply and National Malaria Control and Relief of Natural Calamities. In making these grants, Government take into consideration various factors such as the nature of the schemes, the needs and requirements of the States and their ability to provide matching resources where necessary.

INDUSTRIAL FINANCE CORPORATION

1077. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications received from the Punjab State for aid from the Industrial Finance Corporation during 1955;

- (b) the amounts sanctioned against the accepted applications; and
 - (c) the amounts paid so far?

The Minister of Revenue and Defence Expenditure (Shri A. C. Guha):
(a) Four.

- (b) Loans were sanctioned to four applicants, the amounts of loans sanctioned being Rs. 21 lakhs, Rs. 35 lakhs, Rs. 35 lakhs and Rs. 20 lakhs respectively.
 - (c) Nil.

PESHWAS' PALACE. POONA

1078. Shri Krishnacharya Joshi: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have accepted the recommendations of the Committee for the preservation of Peshwas' Palace at Poona; and
 - (b) if so, the main features thereof?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das): (a) and (b). The main recom-Shanwarwada mendations of the Committee, that the garden within the rempart wall of the Shanwarwada should continue to be managed by the Archaeological Department of the Government of India whereas the management of the other two parts of the outside garden should be the responsibility of the Poona Municipal Corporation, are at present under the consideration of the Government of India.

U. N. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME

- 1079. Shri G. P. Sinha: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of Asian students who received training in India under the United Nations Technical Assistance Programme in 1955; and
- (b) the number of Indians who received training in different countries in Asia in 1955 under this programme?

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The Minister of Finance (Shri C. D. Deshmukh): (a) 21.

Written Answers

(b) Nil.

BLEECHING CLAY

- 1080. Shri B. S. Murthy: Will the Minister of Natural Resources Scientific Research be pleased to state:
- (a) the approximate total quantity of "bleeching clay" available at present:
 - (b) its different uses:
- (c) whether any research is being carried out regarding it; and
 - (d) if so, where?

The Minister of Natural Resources (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) Deposits to the extent of about 5 million tons have been discovered.

- (b) Refining of vegetable oils, fats, greases and waxes, cleansing of clothes; manufacture of pigments; purifying sewage: softening water; decolourizing and recovering chemidrycleaners' cal-plant solvents and fluids etc.
 - (c) Yes. Sir.
- (d) (i) Central Food Technological Research Institute, Mysore.
- (ii) Central Laboratories for Scientific and Industrial Research, Hyderabad.
- (iii) Indian Institute of Science. Bangalore.
- (iv) The Oil Technology Laboratory, Bombay University.

FOREIGN TECHNICIANS FOR OIL-BORING

- 1081. Shri Gadilingana Gowd: Will the Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of Soviet, European and American oil-boring technicians in India, separately; and
- (b) the reasons for the presence of more Soviet technicians?

The Ministry of Natural Resource (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) Soviets --Nil

Europeans-11

(British)

Americans-2.

(b) Does not arise.

मेंगनीज की खाने

१०५२. भी ग्रमर सिंह डामर : क्या प्राकृतिक संसाधन भौर वैज्ञानिक गवेषणा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

- (क) इस समय किन-किन राज्यों मैंगनीज की कितनी खानों में काम चाल
- (ख) क्या सरकार को पता है कि इस समय काफी बड़ी मात्रा में मैगनीज को बेकार फेंक दिया जाता है; ग्रीर
- (ग) इस प्रकार की बरबादी को रोकने के लिये सरकार क्या कार्यवाही कर रही है?

प्राकृतिक संसाधन मंत्री (श्री के० डी० मालवीय) : (क) से (ग) प्रावश्यक जान-कारियों से यक्त एक विवरण पत्र नत्थी किया गया है (देखिये परिशिष्ट ८, ग्रनुबन्ध सं० ६४)

TRIBAL STUDENTS

- 1083. Shri Rishang Keishing: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of tribal students now studying in Government D. M. College and Imphal College:
- (b) the number of existing Hostels for tribal college students at Imphal with their accommodation capacity;
- over-whelming majo-(c) whether rity of tribal students cannot find seats in Government hostel:
- (d) whether these students are not treated as hostellers and receive Central Government scholarships equal to day-scholars; and
- (e) the steps being taken to solve the accommodation problem of the students at Imphal?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das): (a) to (e). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VIII, annexure No. 651.