

(b) if so, the nature thereof?

The Deputy Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

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५०९. श्री रघुनाथ सिंह : क्या प्राकृतिक संसाधन और औद्योगिक गवेषणा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि अब तक खोदे गये कितने कुओं में तेल निकलने की सम्भावना पाई गई है ?

प्राकृतिक संसाधन मंत्री (श्री के. वें. मालवीय) : आसाम में ५८६ तेल के कुएं हैं जिन से आजकल प्रशुद्ध तेल निकाला जा रहा है। इन के प्रतिरिक्त तीन अन्य कुएं हैं, जिन से तेल प्राप्त होने की आशा है।

Smuggling of Diamonds

520. **Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) the number of smugglers of diamonds from West Pakistan detected by the Land Customs Authorities during 1956 so far; and

(b) the value of diamonds seized from them?

The Minister of Revenue and Defence Expenditure (Shri A. C. Guha): (a) and (b). No case of diamond smuggling from West Pakistan has been detected by the Land Customs Authorities upto the end of July during 1956.

Kannada Language and Literature

511. **Shri Madiah Gowda:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) the steps that have so far been taken by the Academy of Letters to develop the Kannada language and literature;

(b) whether any books have been translated, printed and published, so far, from Kannada to any other language and vice versa, by or with the help of the Academy;

(c) if so, the names of persons engaged for the purposes of translation; and

(d) the amount of money allotted for that purpose?

The Deputy Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das): (a) to (d). A statement is laid on the Table of the House [See Appendix V, annexure No. 42].

Post-basic Schools

512. **Shri Madiah Gowda:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) the number of post-basic schools that received financial assistance from the centre in the year 1955-56; and

(b) the total amount expended for that purpose?

The Deputy Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das): (a) and (b). A sum of Rs. 9,591/- was sanctioned to a Voluntary Organization for a Senior Basic School which included one post-basic class.

Opium Smuggling

513. **Sardar Iqbal Singh:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state the number of persons arrested and the total quantity of opium seized by the Indian police during the year 1955-56?

The Minister of Revenue and Defence Expenditure (Shri A. C. Guha): A statement giving the requisite information has been laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix V, annexure No. 43].

Copper

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

(a) whether the Geological Survey of India is engaged in mineral prospecting in the Punjab and PEPSU at present;

(b) whether mineral deposits such as copper have been discovered in the hilly districts of the States; and

(c) if so, where and in what quantity?

The Minister of Natural Resources (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). No, Sir.

All India Sports Council

515. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state the activities of the All India Sports Council since its inception?

The Deputy Minister of Education (Dr. M. M. Das): The All India Council of Sports is an advisory body and advises the Government of India on matters connected with the promotion of Sports in the country. So far the Council has