

Indian Navy

13. **Shri Krishnacharya Joshi:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) what steps Government propose to take for the modernisation of the Navy; and

(b) the total number of new ships proposed to be acquired during 1957?

The Minister of Defence Organisation (Shri Tyagi): (a) All necessary steps are being taken to effect modernisation of the Navy, which is a continuous process involving—

- (i) acquisition of new ships;
- (ii) provision of better dockyard facilities;
- (iii) indigenous manufacture of Naval stores and equipment; and
- (iv) improved training facilities in India.

(b) It will not be in the public interest to reveal the number of new ships to be acquired during 1957.

CORRECTION OF ANSWER TO UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 79

The Deputy Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): In reply to unstarred question No. 79 asked by Sarvashri V. P. Nayar and Punnoose in the Lok Sabha on 16th November, 1956, it was stated that information so far received indicated that while no donations were collected by private colleges in the former Travancore-Cochin State from students at the time of admission for the years 1952-53 to 1955-56, one college received a sum of Rs. 3,000 as donation from 48 students who were given admission to B.Sc. Zoology Main (Chemistry Subsidiary) during the year 1956-57. This reply had been given on the basis of the information supplied by the Kerala Government. The latter has now informed us that no donations were collected by private colleges in the former Travancore-Cochin State from students at the time of admission for the years 1952-53 to 1955-56 except by one college which received a sum of about Rs. 3,000 as donation from 48 students who were given admission to B.Sc. Zoology Main (Chemistry Subsidiary) during the year 1954-55.