

School Buildings in Neiveli Project Area

2097. Shri Elayaperumal: Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state the amount spent on the Secondary School buildings, playground and park in the lignite Project area at Neiveli?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh): There is no secondary school at Neiveli at present. Only an elementary school and a middle school are maintained at the Project's expense and so far an expenditure of Rs. 58,460 has been incurred on the construction of buildings for these schools. A plot of land adjoining the schools has been levelled and is being used as a play-ground common to both.

Delegations Abroad

2098. Sardar Iqbal Singh: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Indian business and other delegations which went abroad during the last two years; and
- (b) the extent to which the foreign exchange resources diminished during these years due to their visit abroad?

The Minister of Finance (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) 1955 1956
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(b) The exact figures of foreign exchange released on account of visits abroad of Indian business and other delegations during the last two years are not available. The following table shows the foreign exchange released during the years 1955 and 1956 for business travel, official business and others:

(Figures in thousands of Rupees)

Category	1955	1956
Business travel	24.95	39.52
Official business	4.47	11.88
*Others	1,12,46	44.10
TOTAL	1,41.88	95.50

* Includes all other travel expenses not covered by the purpose-wise statistics maintained by the Reserve Bank of India, such as, (i) Cultural visits (other than those sponsored by Government) (ii) Dances troupes, etc. (iii) Remittances to cover cost of rail transportation in the foreign country.

Indian Librarians to America

2099. Sardar Iqbal Singh: Will the Minister of Education and Scientific Research be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 75 on the 17th July, 1957 and state:

(a) whether the group of librarians from Indian Universities sent to America for study of library

technique have submitted any report to Government after their return; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (Dr. K. L. Shrinani): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 129].