

(b) 2,51,500 tons.

(c) 1,48,261 tons.

(d) No, the collieries have not been asked to reduce their production.

(e) and (f). While there are no specific schemes for development of the coal industry as such in these areas, a constant endeavour is made to see that the industry as a whole keeps running and its natural development is not hampered. To this end consumers in Assam are persuaded to accept coal from Khasi and Jaintia Hills to the maximum extent possible.

#### Historical Monuments in Assam

**1005. Shri Bhagavati:** Will the Minister of Education and Scientific Research be pleased to state.

(a) whether a comprehensive survey of all the monuments of historical importance in Assam is being carried out for their preservation; and

(b) whether the relics of the old Biswanath Temple at Biswanath and the works of art on stone at the foot of the hills at Brahmajan and Kolongpur mouzas in Tezpur Sub-Division, Assam have been included in the new list of monuments to be declared as monuments of National Importance?

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

(b) Yes, Sir, if the reference is to the Bordoie temple at Biswanath, District Dibrang. The work of art on stone at the foot of the hill at Brahmajan and Kolongpur mouzas in Tezpur Sub-Division, Assam, will be examined and declared protected if found to be of National importance.

#### Hindi Sikhya Parishad of Tripura

**1006. Shri Dasaratha Deb:** Will the Minister of Education and Scientific Research be pleased to state:

(a) whether Hindi Sikhya Parishad of Tripura has been given money by

Government for construction of buildings;

(b) if so, the amount; and

(c) whether any building has been constructed with that amount?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

#### M.B.B. College, Agartala

**1007. Shri Dasaratha Deb:** Will the Minister of Education and Scientific Research be pleased to state:

(a) the number of teachers who left the MBB College of Agartala, Tripura during 1955-56, 1956-57 and in 1957-58 so far;

(b) the reasons for their leaving;

(c) whether the College has been short-staffed due to this reason; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken in the matter?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a)

1955-56	2
1956-57	1
1957-58	6

(b) (i) Better employment elsewhere;

(ii) Unattractive Pay Scales,

(iii) High cost of living;

(iv) Difficulty in getting residential accommodation,

(v) Difficulty in communications.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The following steps have been taken or are being taken in the matter:—

(1) The question of the revision of pay scales of teachers of M.B.B. College, Agartala, is being examined;