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persons were noticed entering Indian territory from the Pakistan side. On being challenged they opened fire which was returned by the police. In the encounter one of the four persons was killed. The remaining three who were retreating were fired at by the Pakistan Border Police who killed two of them, while the fourth escaped.

Smuggling of Indian Currency

2436. Shri Ram Krishan: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that on the 19th February, 1958, the Indian customs party seized Rs. 12,900 in Indian currency concealed in a goods train brake van at Attari Railway Station; and

(b) if so, the action taken in the matter?

The Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai): (a) Yes, Sir. Indian currency amounting to Rs. 12,900 concealed in the brake van of a goods train, was seized on the 18th February, 1958 by the Customs staff at Attari Railway Station.

(b) The case has been adjudicated departmentally under the Customs law; the currency has been confiscated and a personal penalty of Rs. 5,000/-imposed. The offender is also being prosecuted in a court of law.

Geological Survey of Punjab

2437. Shri Ram Krishan: Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received report of the Geological Survey of the Punjab concluded in the year 1956-57; and

(b) if so, whether a copy of the report will be laid on the Table?

The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir, Reports on the investigations carried out by the Geological Survey of India in Punjab during the field season 1956-57 have been received by the Government and a gist of the

reports is given in the statement placed on the Table of Lok Sabha. [See Appendix VII, annexure, No. 84].

Written Anestern

भारत में विवेंकी विद्यार्थी

२४३८. थी मानकशाई सप्रवास : क्या शिका मौर वैज्ञानिक गवेवणा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) १९४७-४≍ में कितने विदेशी विद्यार्थी भारत सरकार के सर्च पर ग्रब्थयन करने के लिये भारत ग्राये :

(स) देशवार उन की संस्था क्या है ; भौर

(ग) भारत सरकार ने उन पर कुल कितना खर्च किया ?

शिका मंत्री (डा॰ का॰ जा॰ अर्टमाल): (क) से (ग). विवरण सभा पटल पर रख दिया गया है। [बे क्ये परि-शिष्ठ ७, अनुबग्ध संख्या दधू]

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२४३९. भी मानफभाई अग्रवाल : न्या विक्ता मंत्री यह बताने की क्रुपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि शिक्षा मंत्रा-लय का हिन्दी विभाग धभी भी धस्यायी है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो कब से ?

(ग) इसे झस्थायी बनाये ज्वाने के क्या कारण हैं ?

(घ) क्या सरकार को इसे स्थ।थी करने का विचार है ; झौर

(ङ) यदि नहीं, तो इस के क्या कारण हैं ?

िशक्ता मंत्री (डा॰ का॰ ला॰ अदेवाली): (क) से (ङ). हिन्दी प्रभाग का निर्माण १९५२ में मुख्य रूप से हिन्दी पारिमाषिक शब्दावली बनाने के लिये हम्रा

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वा । चूँकि इस कार्य की प्रकृति को स्वायों नहीं समझा गया इसलिये यह प्रभाग धारम्भ वे घस्वायी रूप से काम करता घा रहा है। यह धवस्य है कि यह कार्य काफ़ी दिनों तक बलता रहेगा। सीघ ही इस विवय की समीका की जायेगी।

निर्वाचन वाचिकार्थे

२४४०. र जुझवक्तरायः द्र

क्या विवि मंत्री यह बताने की रूपा क्षरेंगे कि :

(क) लोक-सभा भौर राज्य विधान-मण्डलों के किशने निर्वाचनों को निर्वाचन राचिकाभ्रों द्वारा (राज्यवार) चुनौती दी गयी है ;

(ख) कितनी निर्वाचन याचिकायें (राज्यवार) दर्ज की गई ह ; ग्रौर

(ग) उन में से कितनी निबटायी जा **चकी हैं** ?

विवि अपमंत्रे (वी हजारनर्वल) : (क) से (ग) इस सम्बन्ध में एक विवरण लोक-सभा के पटल पर रख दिया गया है। [देशिये परिशिष्ट ७, वनुबन्ध संख्या = ६]

Second Five Year Plan

2441. Shri P. K. Deo: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to refer to the reply given to a supplementary usked on Starred Question No. 624 on the 3rd March, 1958 and state:

(a) for how much amount arrangements for foreign exchange have been made out of Rs. 967 crores of foreign exchange required for the core of the Second Five Year Plan; and

(b) its break-up (private and public sector-wise)?

The Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai): (a) and (b). A

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statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix VII, annexure No. 87.]

Pre-Independence Claims of Contractors

2442. Shri Bahadur Singh: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of India undertook the responsibility of the payment of all claims arising out of contracts entered into by private individuals with the Government of India before 15th August, 1957;

(b) what was the amount of claims filed by contractors for payment of their dues in the office of Controller General, Defence Accounts, New Delhi for any sums due to them in lieu of pre-partition supplies or contracts;

(c) whether any amount has been paid to any of these contractors by the Government of India; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai): (a) Yes. The Government of India have accepted initial liability for the settlement of pre-partition claims of Contractors against the undivided Central Government registered with them in terms of the Press Communique of 23rd May, 1948, which is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix VII, annexure No. 88.]

(b) Rs. 2.6 Crores.

(c) Yes. Rs. 0.4 Crores (Approximate) have been settled.

(d) Amounts not paid may be analysed as under:

| (i) Rejected | Rs. 1.3 Crores |
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| (ii) Cl.ims under Verification | Rs. 0.9 Crores |
| Total | Rs. 2.2 Crores |