

Study of Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy

209. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state the number of Indian students who are being trained at present in peaceful uses of atomic energy in the U.S.A.?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): No Indian student is at present receiving financial assistance from the Department of Atomic Energy for training in peaceful uses of Atomic Energy in the U.S.A.

Naga Hostiles

221. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the present law and order position in the Naga Hills Tuensang Unit;

(b) the number of raids made by the Naga hostiles since the 1st August, 1959;

(c) the extent of loss in life and property suffered; and

(d) the nature of help given to affected people for rehabilitation?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): (a) The law and order situation in Naga Hills Tuensang Area has continued to make steady progress; overall improvement has been particularly marked this year. The villagers have acquired confidence in themselves and they have denounced hostile activities and freely given their support to the Administrations in the various tasks of development.

Information is available to show that villagers are now refusing to provide food or shelter to the hostiles on an increasing scale. Information regarding hostile movements and activities is also more readily available.

There have been a few raids resulting in some loss of life and property. At the same time, the surrender of arms and the hostiles themselves has

shown a marked increase during this year. A number of leading hostile personalities have been arrested. The local Naga Village Guards have shown considerable initiative and in conjunction with our security forces have taken action against the hostiles inflicting casualties and capturing their weapons.

A significant pointer revealing improvement in the overall political situation has been the passing of a resolution unanimously in October, 1959, in the 3rd Convention of the Naga people held at Mokokchung and attended by delegates representing all tribes and numbering 3,374, to demand a settlement of the Naga question as a part of the Indian Union.

(b) Eleven.

(c) Three civilian lives were lost. A sum of Rs. 410 was looted in one of the raids.

(d) Cash grants and relief in kind were given to affected persons for their rehabilitation.

Impact of Broadcasting on Cultural Pattern

222. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 287 on the 6th August, 1959 and state the further progress made so far in regard to Government's proposal to conduct a nation-wide study of the impact of broadcasting on the cultural pattern of the country?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keekar): It has not been possible to take up this as sufficient funds for such a project could not be made available.

Second Atomic Reactor

223. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 288 on the 6th August, 1959 and state:

(a) the latest position with regard to the setting up of the second atomic reactor in India; and