

(c) the kind of training that is being imparted in such institutions?

The Minister of Education (Dr K. L. Shrimali): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha

#### Production in Hindustan Aircrafts Ltd

347 Shri Kalika Singh: Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state the value of total production in the Hindustan Aircrafts Private Ltd in 1959 so far?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Sardar Majithia): Rs 634 70 lakhs (For the period January 1959 to October, 1959)

#### Archaeological Excavations in Punjab

348 Shri D. C Sharma: Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state

(a) whether any archaeological excavation was carried out in Punjab during 1959-60, and

(b) if so, the results thereof?

The Deputy Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Dr. M. M. Das): (a) None by the Department of Archaeology

(b) Does not arise

#### Land Revenue in Delhi

349 Shri D. C Sharma: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the average annual collections of land revenue from Delhi, and

(b) the total amount of land revenue likely to be collected after the implementation of the land reforms?

The Minister of Home Affairs (Shri G B. Pant): (a) 3,62,326

(b) Rs. 4,16,675

#### Junior Basic Schools in Himachal Pradesh

350. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Junior basic schools in Himachal Pradesh;

(b) the number of children studying in these schools,

(c) the number of teachers in these schools,

(d) the number of teachers who are confirmed, and

(e) the steps being taken to confirm the remaining teachers who have put in more than 3 years' service?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K L Shrimali): (a) to (e) The required information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha in due course

#### Admission to Engineering Colleges

351. Shri D. C Sharma: Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No 194 on the 5th August, 1959 and state

(a) whether the Government of India have come to a final decision with regard to the proposal of the All India Council for Technical Education to hold common tests for admission to various engineering colleges in the country, and

(b) if so, what it is?

The Deputy Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Dr. M. M. Das): (a) and (b) A majority of the States that were consulted, did not agree to a common admission test being held as recommended by the All India Council for Technical Education in 1958. The matter was therefore discussed at a Conference of State Chief Ministers held in May, 1959 where it was agreed that the States may reconsider the recommendation of the All India Council in

order that a system in consonance with the needs of the country may be evolved. The decisions of individual States are awaited

Details of a common admission test that may be held for the Higher Technological Institutes are being formulated in consultation with the authorities of the Institutes

#### Commercial Education

352. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No 206 on the 5th August, 1959 and state the further progress made in examining the question of re-organisation of Commercial Education by a Joint Committee of the Inter-University Board, the All India Council for Technical Education and the University Grants Commission?

The Deputy Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Dr M. M. Das): 1 Since August 1959, the Committee has held two meetings and discussed various other aspects of Education for Commerce, as for instance, Commerce education at Secondary education level, co-ordination between professional bodies and Commerce institutions, employment opportunities for Commerce graduates, Correspondence Courses, executive development programme etc. The Committee has also had the benefit of the advice of an American expert, whose services were specially made available by the Ford Foundation.

2 The Sub-Committees appointed by the Committee are formulating detailed proposals regarding Commerce education at the Secondary level, diploma courses in the Polytechnics, practical training of Commerce students and co-ordination between professional bodies and educational institutions.

3 Further replies received to the questionnaire are being analysed On-the-spot information is being collected by interviewing educationists, in-

dustrialists and others to supplement the material obtained through written replies to the questionnaire.

#### Re-employment of Retired Officers

353. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Central Government Class I and Class II Officers who have been given extension or re-employment after superannuation in the year 1959-60 so far (Ministry/Department wise), and

(b) the main reason for these extension and re-employments?

The Minister in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House in due course

#### Houses for Scheduled Castes in Himachal Pradesh

354 Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state

(a) the number of houses constructed for Scheduled Castes in rural and urban areas of Himachal Pradesh between 1954 and 1958, and

(b) the names of the various communities of Scheduled Castes living therein?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar) (a) and (b) The information has been called for from the Himachal Pradesh Administration and will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as it is received

#### Humayun Tomb, New Delhi

355. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent on the maintenance of Humayun Tomb, New Delhi, during 1958-59, and

(b) the amount proposed to be spent during 1959-60?