

(b) Non-resident students' centres—
220.

Students' Homes—2.
Health centres—25.

(c) Rs. 29,48,683.99.

Oil Pipelines in Assam

*613. { Shri Raghunath Singh:
Shri P. C. Borooah:
Shri Hem Barua:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state what is the up-to-date progress of laying of oil pipelines in Assam?

The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya): The position of progress on the construction of the Oil India Pipeline as at 18th February, 1961 is as follows:

Right of way cleared.	169 miles.
Pipe stringing.	148 "
Pipe welded.	106 "
Pipe coated & wrapped.	45 "
Pipe lowered & Backfill.	44 "

Student Exchange Scheme between Governments of India and China

*614. Shri P. C. Borooah: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Indian students in China and Chinese students in India under the Student Exchange Scheme of the Indian and Chinese Governments at present;

(b) whether there are any restrictions on the movements of the students and the duration of their study courses in the two countries; and

(c) if so, what they are?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrivastava): (a) Four Indian scholars are studying in China and three Chinese scholars are studying in India.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Monuments in Pondicherry

*615. Shri Narasimhan: Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the extent of the expenditure incurred by the former French Government of Pondicherry for the conservation and maintenance of the ancient monuments and excavated sites;

(b) whether the Government have been able to collect data on the nature of the conservation and excavation work to be done by the *de facto* Government of Pondicherry; and

(c) the budget allotment proposed to be set apart for the above purpose for 1961-62?

The Deputy Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Dr. M. M. Das): (a) Rs. 22,233 from 1948 to 1954.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) No provision has been made, but funds can be diverted for this purpose, as soon as conservation and maintenance of monuments are taken over by the Union Department of Archaeology.

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*616. { Shri S. M. Banerjee:
Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Morarka:
Shri Rajeshwar Patel:
Shri A. M. Tariq:
Shri Jaipal Singh:
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:
Shri Hem Barua:
Sardar Iqbal Singh:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) what progress has been made in regard to the manufacture of AVRO-748 aircraft in Kanpur; and

(b) whether the Aircraft is likely to be produced in 1961?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Krishna Menon): (a) The progress made in the manufacture of Avro-748 at the Aircraft Manufacturing Depot, Kanpur is satisfactory.

(b) Yes, Sir.

Oil Deposits

*617. { Shri Morarka:
Shri Nathwani:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) the places in India where commercial quality oil is proved;

(b) the total quantity of oil expected in these wells;

(c) when would this oil be pumped out; and

(d) the total amount spent so far on this oil exploration?

The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) (i) Assam: at Digboi, Naharkatiya, Hugrijan and Moran. (ii) Gujarat: at Cambay and Ankleshwar.

(b) The Digboi field is in a state of near depletion and oil is obtained only by secondary recovery methods. The gross proved oil reserves in Oil India Limited areas i.e., Naharkatiya, Hugrijan and Moran are estimated at 196,062,000 imperial barrels and the gross indicated oil reserves at 82,883,000 imperial barrels as on 1-7-1960. Regarding reserves in Cambay and Ankleshwar areas, it is too early to say.

(c) Oil is being produced from the Digboi field. Some oil from Oil India Limited areas i.e., Naharkatiya, Hugrijan and Moran is being pumped to Digboi refinery at present. Full production will start when the refinery at Nunmati comes on stream in September-October, 1961.

The trial production of oil from Cambay/Ankleshwar fields is proposed to be undertaken in the last quarter of this year

(b) The Oil India Limited spent Rs. 186 lakhs on 'exploration' excluding expenditure on development of oil-fields and oil production therefrom. Expenditure by the Oil and Natural Gas Commission has not yet been worked out.

Development of Iron ore Mines

*618. { Shri Nathwani:
Shri Morarka:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount spent by Japan on the development of iron ore mines and transport facilities so far;

(b) the additional facilities of transport obtained as a result of this development; and

(c) whether the development work is according to the schedule?

The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) Japan has provided yen credit equivalent to 8 million U.S. dollars for the purchase of machinery required for the iron ore mines in Kiriburu (Rourkela area). An equivalent of 21 million U. S. dollars has also been provided for meeting the foreign exchange requirements of the Railway and Mining portions of the Bailadila project. No amount has so far been drawn from the above mentioned credits.

(b) Facilities of transport which will be developed in connection with the Kiriburu and Bailadila projects would be a railway line from Sambalpur to Titilagarh and a connecting line to Kiriburu mines, a railway line from Bailadila to Vishakhapatnam and the development of the Vishakhapatnam port to handle six million tons of iron ore.

(c) Yes, Sir.