

guest house at Konarak by the Archaeological Department of the Government of India;

(b) if so, the estimated cost of the guest house; and

(c) when it will be completed?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Nickel one anna coins

1749. Shri Hem Raj: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether any date has been fixed for the withdrawal of the old nickel one anna coins;

(b) if so, what is the date; and

(c) the number of old coins of different denomination that are in circulation?

The Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai): (a) and (b). No. Planned withdrawal of one anna coins of cupro-nickel composition will start as soon as adequate stocks of the requisite denominations in the decimal series have been built up.

(c) The number of old coins in actual circulation cannot be determined with precision. Rough estimates of the number of small coins of various denominations in the anna-pie series which may have been with the public as on 30th November, 1960, are however, given below:—

(In lakh pieces)

½ rupees	37,81
¼ rupees	75,34
*2 annas	27,59
*1 anna	1,08,60
*½ anna	1,10,89
Single pice	2,30,14
*Half pice	4,03
*Pie	8,42

*Inclusive of coins under demonetisation for which exchange facilities are still available.

Archaeological Building at Vidisha

1750. Shri B. C. Seth: Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any Archaeological Building named Vijaimandir or Vijamandal at Vidisha in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) whether this building is an old temple and whether the images and Shlokas are carved on the building and pillars;

(c) whether the 36 images were thrown out of this building last year;

(d) if so, the action taken in this matter; and

(e) whether the Muslims are allowed to offer their namaz there?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) There is an archaeological monument by the name of Bijamandal mosque at Vidisha.

(b) The mosque is built on the foundation of an old temple and its material used for the construction of the mosque. An inscription is carved on one of its pillars and some images are also to be seen on the building.

(c) Some images were thrown out but the number is not known.

(d) The State Government has, it is understood, launched a case against those who are alleged to have removed the sculptures.

(e) Yes, Sir, only on Id days.

Police Training College, Mount Abu

1751. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to start a research centre at the Police Training College, Mount Abu;

(b) the nature of research to be carried out at the Centre; and

(c) when it is likely to start functioning?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar): (a) A Central Police Research Centre is being established at the Central Police Training College, Mount Abu.

(b) The Centre will study and conduct research on the various problems of administration and investigation confronting the police in the country and suggest possible solutions. It will also help to co-ordinate the activities of State Police Research Centres.

(c) The Centre has started its preliminary work at the beginning of this year.

Coal Production

1752. { Shri P. G. Deb:
Shrimati Renu Chakravartty:
Shri Sampath:
Dr. Vijaya Ananda:

Will the Minister of **Steel, Mines and Fuel** be pleased to state how much coal has been produced by the National Coal Development Corporation in January and February, 1961?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh): The figures of production of coal by the National Coal Development Corporation are given below:—

(in million tons).

January, 1961.	..	1.04
February, 1961.	..	1.08

National Library, Calcutta

1753. Shri Muhammed Elias: Will the Minister of **Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs** be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal has been made to Government of India to use Calcutta Maidan to accommodate the National Library; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of the Government thereto?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) No such proposal has been received by the Government of India, though various conflicting sug-

gestions have appeared in the Press.

(b) Does not arise.

Indian Dancing Troupe at Baghdad

1754. { Shri S. A. Mehdi:
Shri Sampath:
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:

Will the Minister of **Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs** be pleased to state:

(a) whether an Indian dancing troupe has been black-listed by the Government of Iraq;

(b) if so, the reasons thereof; and

(c) the action taken in the matter?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir; Shri Ram Gopal's Troupe, not sponsored by the Government of India, was black-listed by the Government of Iraq, as the Troupe had visited Israel.

(c) The Embassy of India at Baghdad received no complaint from the Troupe and in accordance with the policy in cases of this nature, no action was taken.

Census

1755. Shri Bibhuti Mishra: Will the Minister of **Home Affairs** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that persons educated and trained in science or technology were given special post cards to fill in during the census of population; and

(b) if so, the purpose of this scheme?

The Deputy Minister of Home Affairs (Shrimati Alva): (a) Yes. This was confined to degree holders in science and degree or diploma holders in engineering, technology or medicine.

(b) To assess the strength of the technical personnel available and their placements as on the 1st February, 1961.