

(b) if so, the salient features of the Committee's recommendations; and

(c) the action taken by Government thereon?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) No, Sir, as the members have been preoccupied with work connected with the Third Plan.

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

Backward Christians in Punjab State

1066. { **Sardar Iqbal Singh:**
Shri A. M. Tariq:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Punjab Government have approached the Centre for additional financial help for extending educational and other concessions now given to the Scheduled Castes to the Backward Christians of the State also; and

(b) if so, the attitude of the Centre in this respect?

The Deputy Minister of Home Affairs (Shrimati Alva): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Bauxite Deposits in Punjab

1067. { **Sardar Iqbal Singh:**
Shri A. M. Tariq:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that occurrence of bauxite deposits has been recorded by the Geological Survey of India in Kangra district of Punjab; and

(b) if so, what are the prospects of mining them?

The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Pig Iron and Steel Billets Stocks in Durgapur

1068. { **Sardar Iqbal Singh:**
Shri A. M. Tariq:

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

(a) the quantity of stock of pig iron and steel billets lying in the Durgapur Steel Plant on the 31st July, 1961; and

(b) the reasons for accumulation thereof?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh): (a)

Stock of pig iron	17,532 tons
Stock of steel billets	5,795 tons

(b) These stocks of pig iron and billets are not considered excessive.

Profits to Tobacco Companies

1069. { **Sardar Iqbal Singh:**
Shri A. M. Tariq:

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of profit earned by the tobacco companies belonging to non-residents in India during 1960 and 1961 so far; and

(b) the remittance of profits and dividend from India by these companies during the same period?

The Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai): (a) Information on profits earned is not yet available.

(b) Rs. 1.1 crores were remitted during 1960-61.

Liquor Shops in Delhi

1070. { **Sardar Iqbal Singh:**
Shri A. M. Tariq:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the number of liquor shops in Delhi;