

National Institute for Women's Education; and

(b) if so, the result thereof?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) and (b). The report of the committee is under the active consideration of the Government.

University at Nalanda

1606. { Shri Shree Narayan Das:
Shri Radha Raman:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether any request for the establishment of an University at Nalanda in Bihar which was the site of the old world famous Nalanda University has been made to the Government of India by a resolution passed at the meeting of monks and learned scholars from a number of Buddhist countries; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government in this regard?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Master Plan for Calcutta

1607. { Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shri Subodh Hansda:
Shri M. L. Dwivedi:

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether the details of the Master Plan of Calcutta have been worked out;

(b) how the sum of \$800,000 granted by the Ford Foundation for the plan has been spent or proposed to be spent;

(c) whether any other organisation has proposed or promised grants for the execution of the Plan; and

(d) whether any amount has been allotted for the Plan by the Central

Government in the Third Five Year Plan?

The Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai): (a) No, Sir. The Calcutta Metropolitan Planning Organisation is working out the details.

(b) The Ford Foundation grant of \$800,000 will be spent as follows:

- (i) \$510,000 will be held by the Foundation to finance the direct employment, transportation and maintenance in India of the advisers and consultants to be made available to the organisation,
- (ii) \$55,000 will be paid to the Government of West Bengal to finance the purchase of equipment and supplies, and
- (iii) \$235,000 will be paid to the Institute of Public Administration in New York to finance the research leading to prototype designs and plans.

(c) The following grants for improving the Water Supply in the Calcutta region have also been made:

- (i) \$21,580 by the World Health Organisation of the U.N., and
- (ii) \$324,000 by the United Nations Special Fund.

(d) Yes, Sir, Rs. 10 crores.

Population Commission of the U.N.O.

1608. { Shri Shree Narayan Das:
Shri Radha Raman:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state the precise nature of active participation and positive contribution that the Indian Representative on the Population Commission of the U.N.O. has made during the current year since India was elected to this body?

The Deputy Minister of Home Affairs (Shrimati Alva): There has been no meeting of the Population Commission of the U.N.O. since India was elected

to that body in April, 1961. The question of active participation and positive contribution of the members will arise when there is a meeting of the Commission.

However, in between meetings, the member country (and the person working as member on behalf of his country) keeps track of the literature issued by the Commission and offers observation whenever a matter is circulated for opinion or decision.

International Development Association

1609. { Shri Shree Narayan Das:
Shri Radha Raman:

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether the International Development Association has extended any development credit for the expansion of tubewell irrigation in India;

(b) if so, the amount of credit so extended;

(c) whether they have laid down any terms and conditions in this regard;

(d) if so, what are they; and

(e) how the amount of credit so extended is going to be disbursed?

The Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 2.86 crores (\$6 million).

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) No interest as such is payable on the credit; but a service charge at the rate of three-fourths of one per cent per annum is payable on the principal amount of the credit withdrawn and outstanding from time to time. The period of repayment is 50 years with a moratorium of 10 years. The terms and conditions of the credit are given in the Credit Agreement dated September 6, 1961, copies of which are available in the Library of the House.

(e) The credit will be disbursed to the Government of India who are the Borrowers under the Agreement. Separately and without in any way linking it with IDA assistance, Central Government will advance loans in the normal course to U.P. Government to enable the latter to carry out the Project as defined in the Credit Agreement.

Foreign Students of Indian Languages in India

1610. **Shri Sadhan Gupta:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) the number of scholarships sanctioned for foreign students for studying modern Indian languages in India from 1957-58 uptodate;

(b) the language-wise break-up of the scholarships so sanctioned;

(c) whether Prof. Tucci of the Italian Institute for the Near and Far East has expressed a desire that at least one of the scholarships given to that institute should be available for study of the Bengali language;

(d) if so, whether this desire was acceded to; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) Twenty.

(b) Hindi 18
Urdu 2.

(c) No.

(d) and (e). Do not arise.

Price of American Publications

1611. **Shri Bibhuti Mishra:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) Whether it is a fact that in selling American publications some book-sellers charge Rs. 5 when a book is priced at \$1 and some Rs. 6; and

(b) If so, what steps have been taken by Government to ensure a uniform price?