

Institute of Historical Studies

5446. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Institute of Historical Studies which undertook in 1963 a five year programme to compile a dictionary of biographies of Indian nationalist leaders from the early 19th century to 1947 has run into financial difficulties;

(b) whether Government have been urged to have considered the desirability of assisting the Institute in the matter; and

(c) if so, the result thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education (Shri Bhagwat Jha Aasad): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) Government have already paid a sum of Rs. 50,000 to the Institute and an additional sum of Rs. 59,000 has been agreed for payment

Nagaland-Assam border

5447. Shri Eswara Reddy: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 52 on the 24th May, 1967 and state:

(a) whether the suggestion of Nagaland Chief Minister for the appointment of a Boundary Commission to settle the border dispute between Nagaland and Assam has been considered; and

(b) if so, the decision taken in the matter?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Vidya Charan Shukla): (a) The matter is still under consideration.

(b) Does not arise.

Mobile Post Offices

5448. Shri S. K. Tapuriah:
Shri Meetha Lal:

Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Mobile Post Offices working in the various parts of the country at present;

(b) the expenditure incurred on them every year; and

(c) whether this service has been of considerable benefit to the public?

The Minister of State in the Departments of Parliamentary Affairs and Communications (Shri I. K. Gujral): (a) 14.

(b) Information in this regard is being collected. A statement will be laid on the Table of the Sabha shortly.

(c) Yes Sir.

Teleprinter Lines

5449. Shri S. K. Tapuriah:
Shri Meetha Lal Meena:

Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications pending for teleprinter lines at present in the country;

(b) the number of lines granted during 1966-67; and

(c) the reasons for delay in granting permission?

The Minister of State in the Departments of Parliamentary Affairs and Communications (Shri I. K. Gujral): (a) 160.

(b) 157

(c) Fifty one of the 160 applicants have been intimated that it is not possible to provide the circuits at present; 25 applicants have been offered the terms of rental and 84 applications are under examination to ascertain the technical feasibility of providing the circuits.