type commonly used during festivals, etc. Such crackers are harmless and there is no restriction on their manufacture or sale.

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राजस्थान में ब्रादिवासियों के लिये गृह-निर्माण

६७७. श्री राम सेवक यादव : क्या गृह-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

- (क) क्या यह सच है कि कुछ वर्षे प्रवं केन्द्रीय सरकार की ग्रोर से लगभग एक लाख रुपये से ग्रधिक की रकम राजस्थान सरकार को कोटा जिले में पनावदा नामक स्थान पर, ग्रादिवासियों के लिए कालोनी बनाने के हेतु दी गई थी;
- (ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार को इस प्रकार की कोई सूचना मिली है कि उक्त कालोनी का निर्माण नहीं हुआ है श्रौर धन भी खर्च हो गया है; श्रौर
- (ग) यदि हां, तो इस पर सरकार की भोर से क्या कार्यवाही की गई ?

गृह-कार्य मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्रीमती चन्द्रशेखर): (क) से (ग). राजस्थान सरकार से सूचना मांगी गई है जिसके प्राप्त होते ही सभा पटल पर एक विवरण रख दिया जायेगा ।

Sainik School in U.P.

978. Shri Surendra Pal Singh: Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to establish a Sainik School in U.P.;
- (b) if so, where it is likely to be located, and when it will begin to function?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Krishna Menon): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. This matter is being discussed by the State Government with the Board of Governors of Sainik Schools. The discussions include the question of location.

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Oil in Narmada River bed

- 979. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Mines and Fuel be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1213 on the 31st May, 1962 and state:
- (a) the further progress since made in the search for oil in the Narmada river bed and details thereof; and
- (b) the steps taken to explore the potentialities for iron and manganese ore mining in Nagpur?

The Minister of Mines and Fuel: (Shri K. D. Malaviya): About 600 sq. miles of semi-detailed geological mapping and 25 line miles of geological traverses have been carried out in the bed and on the banks of Narmada river in Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh to obtain stratigraphical information.

(b) Indian Bureau of Mines is not carrying out any exploration for ironore and manganese ore in Nagpur. The information in respect of the work by the Geological Survey of India is being collected, and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha in due course.

Gun Shell Factory, Cossipore

980. Shrimati Renu Chakravartty: Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is acute water scarcity in Dumdum Estate of Gun Shell Factory, Cossipore;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the water pumping generator is unable to get much water from the level to which it has been dug, leading to acute shortage of water supply;
- (c) whether it is a fact that there is no water in the flush lavatories leading to unhygienic conditions;
- (d) whether the tubewells are inadequate to meet the requirements;