neers has been set up to design and engineer certain jobs of the Koyali refinery being set up in the public sector with technical and financial assistance from the Soviet Union near Baroda; and

(b) if so, the particulars thereof?

The Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals (Shri Hamayun Kabir):
(a) and (b). Yes, Sir. A Design Organisation comprising of 7 Soviet specialists and 17 Indian engineers has been set up at Baroda to prepare working drawings for certain jobs like water supply, workshops and telecommunications etc. of Kovali Refinery.

Central Government Employees' Consumer Cooperative Stores

*522. Shri Vishram Prasad: Shri P. C. Borooah:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and locations of the Central Government Employees' Consumer Cooperative Stores opened in Delhi/New Delhi:
- (b) whether there is a proposal to open more stores;
- (c) how the prices of main consumers' items in these stores compare with general market rates; and
- (d) whether employees working under Delhi Administration are also eligible to become members of the Stores?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shrimati Chandrasakhar): (a) One main store and four branches as indicated below:

Store	Location
Main Store .	Raisina Road opposite 'P' Block.
Yojana Bhawan Store	Behind the Yojana Bhawan Building.
Sarojini Nagar Store I	
Sarojini Nagar Store I	I Flat No. B-245 Saro- jini Nagar.
Ramakrishnapuram Store.	Shops Nos. 20 to 23 Sector IV Market.

- (b) Yes. Sir.
- (c) The general level of prices of main consumers' items in these stores is lower than in the market for goods of comparable quality. The weighment and measurement of articles sold by the stores are also guaranteed.
- (d) This question is under consideration.

Explosion_S in Sindri Fertilizer Factory

*523. Shri P. C. Borooah:
Shri B. P. Yadava:
Shri Dhaon:
Shri Bishanchander Seth:
Shri G. Mohanty:

Will the Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a series of explosions occurred on or about the 21st October, 1963 in the Synthetic Ammonia section of the Sindri Fertilizer Factory;
- (b) if so, the cause of the explosions; and
 - (c) the extent of damage suffered?

The Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals (Shri Hamayun Kabir):

(a) Yes, Sir. There was one explosion followed by some minor explosions.

- (b) The explosion was due to the failure of the high pressure gas line and sudden emergence of gas under pressure. The failure of the pipe was due to excessive erosion at the bend in the pipe.
- (c) There was no damage to equipment or machinery and total financial loss is estimated to be Rs. 6.30 lakhs.

University at Belur

*524. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 482 on the 4th September, 1963 and state:

- (a) whether the representation made to Government by Ramakrishna Mission, Belur in West Bengal for fimancial help to set up a university in the name of Swami Vivekananda to commemorate his birth centenary has been considered finally; and
- (b) if so, the decision taken in this regard?

The Minister of Education (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) Yes, Sir. The application and the draft bill submitted by the Ramakrishna Mission, Belur through the Government of West Bengal for obtaining the advice of the University Grants Commission was considered by the Commission in their meeting held on the 4th December, 1963.

(b) While the Commission did not favour the proposal for the establishment of a University at Belur, it felt that the best way to commemorate the memory and ideals of great men would be to set up specialist institutions in the field of their work and interests, which could on merits be accorded the status of a University under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, in due course.

Mobile Libraries

1447. \int Shri Karni Singhji: Shri V. B. Deo:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Mobile Libraries functioning State-wise in the country;
- (b) the number of books in these Libraries
- (c) whether there has been a progressive increase in this service; and
- (d) whether the results achieved are satisfactory?

The Minister of Education (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) to (d). Information is given in the statement laid on the Table of the House [Placed in Library. See No. LT-2082/63].

Post-Matric Scholarships to Backward Class Students

1448. Shri Rama Chandra Mallick: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of scholarships awarded to the students belonging to (i) Scheduled Castes, (ii) Scheduled Tribes and (iii) Other Backward Classes for post-Matric studies in the country during 1963-64; and
- (b) the total number of students who applied for these scholarships in the country?

The Minister of Education (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) and (b). The exact position will be known after the financial year 1963-64 is over.

Post-Matric Scholarships to Orissa Backward Classes Students

1449. Shri Rama Chandra Mallick: Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of scholarships awarded to the students belonging to (i) Scheduled Castes, (ii) Scheduled Tribes and (iii) Other Backward Classes for Post-Matric studies in Orissa during 1963-64; and
- (b) the total number of students who applied for them from the State of Orissa during the above-mentioned period?

The Minister of Education (Shri M. C. Chagla):

(a) Scheduled Castes .	184
Scheduled Tribes	220
Other Backward Classes .	386
(upto the 31st October, 1963 The exact position will be known after the financial year 1963-64 is over)	
(b) Scheduled castes .	307
Scheduled Tribes	284

Other Backward Classes

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