संख्या 1427 के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

- (क) क्या सरकार ने राष्ट्रमण्डलीय युवक समारोह भारत में करने के बारे में कोई म्रन्तिम निर्णय कर लिया है; ग्रीर
- (खा) यदि नहीं, तो निर्णय कब तक किये जाने की संमावना है ?

शिक्षा मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री भक्त दर्शन): (क) ग्रीर (ख). बहुत से राष्ट्र-मण्डलीय देशों से उत्साहजनक उत्तर प्राप्त न होने के कारण भारत में राष्ट्रमण्डलीय युवक समारोह भ्रायोजित करने का विचार छोड दिया गया है।

## सरकारी कर्मचारियों के िय सहकारी स्टोर

620. श्री बागड़ी: क्या गृह-कार्य मंत्री 24 मार्च, 1965 के झतारांकित एश्न संख्या 1454 के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृषा करेंगे कि क्या बम्बई श्रीर कलकत्ता में के द्रीय सरकार के कर्म-चारियों के लिये सहकारी स्टोर खोलने की कोई कार्यवाडी की गई है?

गृह-कार्य मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री ल॰ ना॰ मिश्र): बम्बई तथा कलकत्ता में केन्द्रीय सरकार के कर्मचारियों के लिये उपमोक्ता सहकारी संस्थाएं स्थापित करने के लि कार्यवाड़ी चल रही है।

#### National Integration Council

# 621. { Shri Rameshwar Tantia: Shri Bagri:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 566 on the 24th March, 1965 and state:

- (a) whether a decision to convene a meeting of the National Integration Council has been taken; and
- (b) if so, the place and time where the meeting will be held?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Hathi):
(a) The matter is still under consi-

deration.

(b) Does not arise at present.

#### National Book Trust

622. Shrimati Savitri Nigam;
Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shri M. L. Dwivedi:

Will the Minister of **Education** be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1446 on the 24th March, 1965 and state:

- (a) the impact of reorganisation of National Book Trust on the basis of recommendations of the Tara Chand Committee; and
- (b) whether all the drawbacks which were noticed in this work have been removed?

The Minister of Education (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) The reorganisation of the Trust has resulted in overall improvement in its activities and administration.

(b) The present set-up of the Trust is by and large free from the drawbacks mentioned in the Tara Chand Committee Report.

#### Sale of Books by Akademis

the Minister of Education be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1444 on the 24th March, 1965 and state the action taken on the recommendations made by the Special Committees appointed by Sahitya Akademi and Lalit Kala Akademi to increase the sale of books published by the various Akademis?

The Minister of Cultural Affairs in the Ministry of Education (Shri Hajarnavis): The Sahitya Akademi has, on the recommendations of its Special Committee, so far taken the following major steps to boost up sales of its publications:

 The sales wing of its office has been strengthened;

- (2) Arrangements have been made with some State Governments to display its publications at Information Centres;
- (3) The publications are sent to periodicals for review;
- (4) A monthly News Bulletin has been started which carries information about its publications. The Bulletin is distributed free;
- (5) Brochures and Leaflets are published in various Indian languages giving information about the publications, and advertisements are issued in periodicals;
- (6) Arrangements for the sale of the publications through private book sellers have been made.

The Lalit Kala Akademi has recently decided to explore the possibility of entrusting the sale of its publications to the Publications Division of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting. A sales and display counter is also proposed to be started at its office. It is also proposed to contact the State Governments; Universities and the University Grants Commission to buy the publications.

### Oil Deposits under the Sea

Shrimati Savitri Nigam;
Shri P. C. Borooah;
Shri Mohammed Koya;
Shri Ram Sewak;
Shri P. G. Sen;
Shri Madhu Limaye;
Shri Ram Sewak Yaday;
Shri R. S. Pandey;

Will the Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 592 on the 3rd March, 1965 and state the progress since made to ascertain the prospects of finding oil deposits under sea near Madras, Kerala, Cambay beach and Kutch?

The Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals (Shri Humayun Kabir): In the area around the mouth of the Gulf of Cambay, there are indications of the presence of some large structures. Their detailed seismic survey will start in October, 1965 and depending on results, deep drilling is expected to start from January next.

Seismic surveys are continuing in the Coromandel Coast.

#### Multi-purpose Schools

∫ Shri M. L. Dwivedi: 625. ⟨ Shri S. C. Samanta: | Shri Subodh Hansda:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

- (a) the decision of Government regarding the inclusion of technical subjects in the curriculum and courses of study at the secondary stage;
- (b) the reasons for not introducing such courses in the Union Territories;
- (c) the progress made in the establishment of Multi-purpose schools; and
- (d) the difficulties experienced in imparting technical education at the secondary stage to such children who do not have interest in literary education in order that they may earn their living?

The Minister of Education (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) The pre-independence educational system was re-organised on the recommendation of the Secondary Education Commission by providing diversified courses through the multi-purpose schools offering courses in Humanities, Science, Technical subjects, Commerce, Agriculture, Fine Arts and Home Science. The technical subjects taught at the secondary stage are now to be strengthened so as to have enough practical content to give to the students professional skills for undertaking middle level skilled jobs in the particular profession. In other schools technical subjects are intended to facilitate