

and Rajouri Garden have been provided with civic amenities like street electric lighting and park sites. The Jhuggi Jhonpri Removal Scheme does not provide for expenditure on the development of parks and expenditure in connection laying LV Mains for domestic electric connections. On account of paucity of funds there is no plan to provide amenities other than those admissible under the scheme for the Jhuggi Jhonpri colonies. The implementation of the Jhuggi Jhonpri Removal Scheme is no longer the responsibility of the Delhi Municipal Corporation as the work has since been transferred to the Delhi Development Authority.

#### UNEMPLOYED ENGINEERS

5287. SHRI J. MOHAMED IM-AM :

SHRI D. N. DEB :

SHRI MAHENDRA MAJHI :

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the acute unemployment prevailing among the Engineers in the country has created any shift in the attitude of students;

(b) whether the rush for admission to Engineering colleges has been affected by this attitude;

(c) whether it is a fact that in some technical schools, the number of candidates who applied for admission has been less than the seats available; and

(d) if so, the steps being taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD): (a) and (c). According to informal reports received, the number of applicants this year is less than that in previous years in certain States, particularly to polytechnics. Detailed information regarding the actual number of students admitted is awaited from technical institutions.

(d) The matter will be reviewed when detailed information is received.

#### BOOKS FOR CHILDREN

5288. SHRI J. MOHAMED IM-AM :

SHRI S. P. RAMAMOORTHY :

SHRI S. K. TAPURIAH :

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that books for children is often given incorrect and misleading information;

(b) whether it is also a fact that there is a great shortage of books meant to promote a sense of oneness among the children; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to take action in this direction and whether any scheme has been drawn up in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD):

(a) Instances of textbooks at primary and secondary level that contain objectionable material have sometimes been brought to the attention of the Union Education Ministry. The State Governments/Union territories have been requested to set up an effective machinery at State/Union Territories level for the scrutiny of such textbooks and other supplementary educational materials.

(b) Yes, Sir, such books are not in liberal supply.

(c) A scheme "Nehru National Library on Children's books" is proposed to be initiated by the Ministry of Education during the current year. The scheme is intended primarily to promote national integration among school children. It envisages a massive book production programme.

The National Council of Educational Research and Training have

undertaken the production of textbooks and supplementary educational materials. The purpose of producing these materials is to stimulate a sense of Indianness among school children and to bring about the cohesion of various communities and social groups. In the first instance, the supplementary educational materials are addressed to children of 14-17 years of age. The N.C.E.R.T. is also developing a common curriculum of school education under its 'Social Studies Project', which seeks to develop among children an understanding and an allegiance to the cherished values of Indian Society.

#### TAGORE THEATRES

5289. SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM :

SHRI D. N. DEB:

SHRI S. P. RAMAMOORTHY :

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to the findings of a team appointed by the Sangeet Natak Akademi, most of the Tagore Theatres in India have been constructed on faulty lines and they are not fit for theatric performances; and

(b) if so, whether steps have been taken to rectify the faults?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD): (a) and (b). Only minor architectural flaws have been found in some of the Theatres which can be rectified to a very great extent even at this stage. As the management of the Theatres vests in the State Governments the findings of the team will be brought to their notice.

#### RUSSIANS AND COMMUNIST LITERATURE IN INDIA

5290. SHRI MUTHU GOUNDER: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a good deal of Russian and Communist literature

is being circulated by U.S.S.R. throughout India;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this is being circulated in all the regional languages of India; and

(c) whether this mass circulation has the approval of Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) and (b). A statement showing names of magazines and journals brought out by the U.S.S.R. Mission in India is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library See No. LT-1866/68.] This information is passed on material available in the office of the Registrar of Newspapers for India.

(c) Information agencies of diplomatic missions in India are required to observe certain standards in their publicity work, the essence of which is our national interest that it should not be prejudicial to and that it should be in keeping with the normal diplomatic conventions.

#### पटना में माओ के इतिहास

5291. श्री निहाल सिंह : क्या गृह-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि इस प्रकार के इतिहास पटना की दीवारों पर चिपके पाये गये हैं जिनमें माओ जिदाबाद और चीन की तथा नक्सलवाड़ी उपद्रवों की प्रशंसा के बारे में लिखा था ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस सिलसिले में कितने व्यक्तियों के विरुद्ध कार्यवाही की गई है ?

गृह-कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री : (श्री विद्याचरण शुक्ल) : (क) 'नक्सलवाड़ी लाल सलाम', 'अध्यक्ष माउत्सेतुंग को लाल सलाम' जैसे नारों वाले कुछ हस्तलिखित इतिहास पटना में कुछ स्थानों पर 1 मई को चिपकाये हुए पाये गये थे।