

U.S. Educational Consortium for India

***699. Shrimati Renuka Ray:** Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a U.S. Educational Consortium for help to India has been set up as a souvenir of the Prime Minister's visit to the U.S.A.; and

(b) if so, what are the activities of this Organisation?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Consortium will assist in the establishment of the Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur.

Oil and Gas Reserves

***700. { Shri Yajnik:
Shri P. C. Borooah:**

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether the estimates of oil and gas reserves have of late been reviewed in the light of a series of successful operations completed by the Oil India Limited during the year 1961; and

(b) what are the revised estimates of the reserves (region-wise)?

The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As on 30th June 1961, reserves of crude oil and natural gas (proved and indicated in Oil India Limited areas viz. Nahorkatiya, Hugrijan and Moran in Assam were estimated at 48.1 million tons and 740,428 million cft. respectively. The reserves in Assam Oil Company areas are estimated to be 2.31 to 3.08 million tons of crude oil and 30,000 to 40,000 million cu. ft. of natural gas. The reserves of the Oil and Natural Gas Commission areas have yet to be estimated.

Training of Management Personnel

***700A. Shri Aurobindo Ghosal:** Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up any institute for training the management personnel; and

(b) If so, when and why?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Two all-India Institutes are being set up at Calcutta and Ahmedabad for advanced training and research in Management.

Insurance of Government Employees

***701. Shri Tangamani:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to encourage Government employees to insure with the Life Insurance Corporation;

(b) if so, what is the nature of the proposal;

(c) whether arrangements will be made for deducting premium from pay; and

(d) whether such a practice is prevalent in insurance of industrial workers?

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shri B. R. Bhagat): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as available.

Accident in NEFA by Army Firing Practice

***702. Shri D. Ering:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there was a serious accident at Daporijo in NEFA, recently due to the firing practice by the army and as a result of which one person was instantaneously killed and two others were severely wounded;

(b) if so, whether any compensation is going to be given to the family of the deceased and to the two wounded persons;

(c) if so, upto what amount; and

(d) whether any precautionary measures have been taken to stop such unfortunate occurrences in future?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Krishna Menon): (a) Government have received a report that three women were injured on the 10th October, 1961 due to the landing of one round of mortar in village Dolum near Doporiyo, in the course of firing practice of trainees of the Assam Rifles. The injured persons were evacuated to the Civil Hospital, Doporiyo, where one of the women died on the 13th October, 1961; the other two were later sent to Civil Hospital, Dibrugarh.

A Court of Inquiry has been ordered and its report is awaited.

(b) and (c). Compensation for damage to person or property due to field firing is paid according to established procedures and on the recommendations of the civil revenue authorities. It is understood that a claim has been preferred by the concerned parties to the Assistant Political Officer.

(d) There are comprehensive instructions on safety precautions to be observed by units holding firing practices and these are invariably observed.

खेल कूद जांच समिति

*७०३. श्री भक्त दशन : क्या शिक्षा मंत्री २२ अगस्त, १९६१ के ताराकृत प्रश्न संख्या ८२४ के उत्तर के सबंध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पिछले ओलम्पिक खेलों में भारतीय असफलता व अन्य परिस्थितियों की जांच करने के बारे में जांच समिति नियुक्त

की गयी थी, क्या उसने अपना कार्य पूरा कर लिया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या उसकी रिपोर्ट की एक प्रति सभा पटल पर रखी जायेगी ;

(ग) उसकी सिफारिशों पर क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है ;

(घ) यदि रिपोर्ट अभी तक भी नहीं मिली है, तो इतनी देरी होने का क्या कारण है ; और

(ङ) उस समिति की रिपोर्ट के कब तक मिल जाने की आशा की जाती है ?

शिक्षा मंत्री (डा० का० ला०) :

(क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग). प्रश्न नहीं उठते ।

(घ) जांच का जटिल स्वरूप और समिति के अवैतनिक सदस्यों के अन्य कार्यों में व्यस्त होने के कारण देरी हुई है ।

(ङ) समिति के कार्य के लिए विस्तृत जांच आवश्यक है और इस में समय लगेगा । आशा है कि १९६२ के मध्य तक समिति अपना कार्य समाप्त कर लेगी ।

National Biological Research Institute

*704. **Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:** Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 901 on the 14th August, 1961 and state:

(a) the details of the scheme for establishment of the National Biological Research Institute; and

(b) the nature of progress made so far in its establishment?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) and (b). Details of the scheme have not been worked out, but a research unit on Genetics and Biometry has been set up with Professor J. B. S. Haldane as its head.