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FOREIGN SCHOLARSHIP

*845. Shri Muniswamy: (a) Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Ohio State University of U.S.A. has offered to award three scholarships to Indian students?

- (b) When is the selection of candidates to be made?
- (c) What are the essential requirements of a student for getting a scholarship?
- (d) What is the period for this course of study?
- (e) When are the selected students expected to leave for America?

The Deputy Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) In September, 1953.
- (c) A first class Intermediate Arts or Science certificate and age below 20 years.
- (d) The scholarships are tenable for one academic year.
- (e) An enquiry has been made from the University.

सेंठ गोविन्द दास: क्या यह जो छात्र--बत्तियां अमेरिका वाले दे रहे हैं, ये ऐसे विषयों की है कि जो ।वषय भारतवर्ष में नहीं पढाये जासकते हैं और अगर ऐसे विषयों की नहीं हैं तो क्या उन विषयों के परिवर्तन का कोई प्रयत्न किया जा सकता है ?

श्री के बी भालवीय : नहीं, ये तो जो ओहियो युनीवर्सिटी स्कालर्राशप्स देती है जस में उन्हों ने आर्ट्स और सायन्स दोनों का इक ऐसा विस्तृत क्षेत्र बतला दिया है कि जिस में से कोई भी विषय चुन ले। हम को ≪रिवर्त्तन का कोई अस्तियार नहीं है।

सेंड गोविन्द दास : में यह जानना चाहता चा कि क्या वे ऐसे विषय हैं कि जो हिन्दस्तान

में भी पढ़ाए जा सकते हैं। यदि हां तो क्या उन के विषयों के परिवर्त्तन का कोई प्रबन्ध किया जा सकता है ?

Oral Answers

भी कें । डी० मालबीय : वे ऐसी शिक्षा लेना चाहते हैं जिस से कि वे समझते हैं कि उन्हें लाभ हो।

Sari Muniswamy: May I know whether this is the first time when such scholarships are offered to India by the Ohio University?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: I am not sure but I presume that this is perhaps the first time that scholarships have been offered by that University.

Shri Muniswamy: May I know from which part of the country, these three students have been selected?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: have not yet been made.

Kumari Annie Mascarene: May know the subjects and studies in which the students are to be engaged?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: Arts and Science-it is a wide field for selection

Sari K. K. Basu: May I know whether the scholarships granted by the University are enough for the prosecution of studies by the students, or whether they have to spend something extra?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: They have to meet their own travelling expenses to and from U.S.A.

Shri Sarangadhar Das: In these cases of selecting students for foreign studies, is there any competitive examination held?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: It varies from scholarship to scholarship. In this particular case. I do not think there is any intention to hold competitive examination to select the students.

Shri Feroze Gandhi: On a point of information, Sir. The hon. Minister who is answering these questions is the Deputy Minister of Natural Resources. Is it necessary, that he should answer these questions, in the presence of the hon. Minister of Education?

منستر آف ایجوکیشی ایند نینچول رسورسز ایند سائینتفک رسرچ (مولانا آزاد) و کوئی رول ایسا موجود نهیل هر جس کی بنا پر ایک دیالی منستر ای سوالوں کا جواب نه دے سکے -

[The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad): There is no rule to debar a Deputy Minister from replying to these questions.]

श्री फीरोज़ गांधी: जी; यह सवालों का जवाब आप के डिप्टी मिनिस्टर ठीक से नहीं देते।

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: I have also been feeling some difficulty, and evidently I am only reflecting what is passing in the minds of hon. Members here.

I do not know whether the Deputy Ministers go through all the files, but I will start with saying answer very well. But there is a difference in the case of persons who go through all the files from the start to the finish, and then answer question after question, (because they are associated with the matter at various stages) instead of depending on a brief prepared the previous night, for their answers here. Somehow, that impression is lurking in the minds of hon. Members. Otherwise, they are not able to answer many supplementaries which naturally be expected to arise out of the main questions. I hope hon, Ministers who have got Deputy Ministers would like to associate them at every stage-of course, I am sure, they are already associated-so that they could handle all the files, whenever matter comes up before the House. and may be in a position to answer supplementaries here without difficulty.

This is only a suggestion that would like to make to the hon. Ministers.

भी पी० एन० राजभोज: मैं एक सवाल पूछना चाहता हूं कि शिड्यूल्ड कास्ट के कितने स्टूडेंट्स आये?

श्री के डी मालबीय: शिड्यूल्ड कास्ट्स के लिये इन स्कालरशिप्स में कोई नम्बर निश्चित नहीं है।

भी पी० एन० राजभोज: यह आप का जवाब ठीक नहीं मिलता।

STANDARD VACUUM OIL COMPANY

*846. Shri K. C. Sodhia: (a) Will the Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research be pleased to state whether Government have finalised consideration of the proposals submitted by Standard Vacuum Oil Company for carrying out further survey work and boring for oil?

- (b) What is the nature of these proposals?
- (c) What are the financial commitments involved?

The Deputy Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). It will not be in the public interest to give the required information at this stage.

Shri T. K. Chaudhuri: May I know whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to recent press reports that the Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources and Scientific Research, together with another eminent scientist, has visited the United States and other countries, and also that some tentative agreements have been arrived at with foreign companies, for boring oil in the Sunderban regions in Bengal? Is there any truth in these reports, and if so, what are the terms and the nature of the agreement?