

**Regional Research Institute, Jorhat**

\*971. **Shri R. Barua:** Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) how far the work towards establishment of the Regional Research Institute at Jorhat has proceeded; and

(b) when it is expected to start functioning as a full-fledged institution?

**The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir):** (a) Construction of staff quarters has begun and contracts for construction of four main laboratory blocks has been awarded. Nucleus staff has been appointed, and some scientific staff posted at other Laboratories.

(b) Work on research problems connected with the development of natural resources of Assam and adjacent regions has already begun and will be expanded as buildings and equipment become available.

**Area occupied by Pakistan in Assam**

\*972. { **Shri Hem Barua:**  
**Shri P. C. Borooah:**

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pakistan has occupied recently some Indian territories in the Char areas in the District of Cachar, Assam; and

(b) if so, the nature of this occupation and the steps Government have taken so far against this illegal occupation?

**The Minister of Defence (Shri Krishna Menon):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Pakistanis residing in Kozhikode District**

\*973. { **Shri A. K. Gopalan:**  
**Shri Umanath:**  
**Shri Potekkatt:**

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether quit notices were served on 177 persons alleged to be Pakistanis residing in Kozhikode district in Kerala;

(b) if so, whether any enquiry about their whereabouts has been made; and

(c) if so, the result thereof?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar):**

(a) No; quit notices have been served only on five Pakistanis.

(b) and (c). Out of 177 Pakistanis who came to Kozhikode district, 22 have already left India, while necessary action is being taken against 15 including the five served with quit notices. The departure of the remaining 140 persons is awaiting confirmation from the check posts through which they left India.

**Oil in Godavari Basin**

\*974. **Shri Eswara Reddy:** Will the Minister of Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) when the Oil and Natural Gas Commission propose to undertake drilling for oil in Godavari basin;

(b) whether the various surveys conducted have shown that there are deposits of oil in this region; and

(c) the amount proposed to be spent during 1962-63 in this region?

**The Minister of Mines and Fuel (Shri K. D. Malaviya):** (a) The Oil and Natural Gas Commission do not have any proposal at present to