

recommendations of the Seminar for exploration of the natural resources of Rajasthan ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table Sabha. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-2387/68].

बिगैस अध्याय की निजलिगप्या के बिषय
प्रारोप

2580. श्री रघुवीर सिंह शास्त्री :
श्री बि० नरसिम्हा राव :
श्री रा० की० अमीन :
श्री गार्डिलिंगन गोडू :
श्री सु० कु० तापड़िया :
श्री क० लक्ष्म्या :
श्री यशपाल सिंह :
श्री रामगोपाल झालवाले :
श्री स० मो० बनर्जी :
श्री बी० ना० देव :
श्री प्र० के० देव :
श्री मधु लिमये :

क्या गृह-कार्य मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि कुछ संसद सदस्यों ने मैसूर के भूतपूर्व मुख्य मंत्री तथा कांग्रेस के वर्तमान प्रधान, श्री निजलिगप्या के बिषय प्रारोपों की जांच की मांग की है ;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि श्री निजलिगप्या ने इसके लिये सहमति प्रकट की है ; और

(ग) यदि हाँ तो सरकार द्वारा इस सम्बन्ध में क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

गृह-कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री बिद्या चरण कुमल) : (क) जी हाँ, श्रीमान् ।

(ख) सरकार के पास सूचना नहीं है ।

(ग) 22 करवरी, 1965 को लोक सभा

में स्व० प्रधान मंत्री श्री लाल बहादुर शास्त्री जी द्वारा दिये गए एक वक्तव्य की ओर ध्यान आकषित किया जाता है । मामले पर सरकार का अन्तिम निर्णय इनमें बताया गया है ।

Lotteries by States

2581. SHRI YASHPAL SINGH :
SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO :
SHRI SIDDAYYA :
SHRI VIRENDRAKUMAR SHAH :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that some States in the country have started lotteries; and

(b) if so, the names of those States which have started lotteries ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Haryana, Kerala, Madras, Punjab and Rajasthan.

Foundation Day of Azad Hind Fauz

2582. SHRI D. N. PATODIA : Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Silver Jubilee Celebrations were held in October, 1968 to commemorate the Foundation Day of the Azad Hind Fauz ;

(b) whether the Government of India officially participated in the Celebrations ;

(c) if so, the details thereof ; and

(d) if reply to part (b) above be in the negative, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRI SHER SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Government requested the Council of Ministers to participate in the Celebrations organised by the public on the occasion. Similarly the Chief Ministers of the States were requested to make the celebrations a success. Education Secretaries and Vice Chancellors of Universities were requested by Government

to Celebrate the Silver Jubilee Day in a befitting manner. A special postage stamp to mark the occasion was issued by the Posts and Telegraphs Department. Special programmes were broadcast on All India Radio which covered public functions, news bulletins and newscasts. Special posters and publications highlighting the role of Netaji and Indian National Army in the freedom struggle were brought out by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting. The Union Home Minister laid the foundation stone of the replica of the memorial of the Azad Hind Fauz in the city of Calcutta. A function was also held at Moirang (Manipur) which was attended among others by six Cabinet Ministers. Prime Minister attended the public function held in the capital at Subhash Maidan opposite the Red Fort on this occasion. Reports received so far from State Governments indicate that they also organised functions on the occasion. On a request from the Government of Andhra Pradesh, 500 N.C.C. cadets were permitted to participate in the march past on the occasion. There were also organised music and drama festivals.

(d) Does not arise.

Publications, Sale and Reading of Books in India

2583. SHRI R. K. AMIN : Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that India is the second largest producer of films in the world, but ranks very low in the publication, sale and reading of books ;

(b) if so, what action Government propose to take to popularise reading of books ;

(c) whether Government propose to organise Reader's week in this country ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRI SHER SINGH) : (a) and (b) The available information indicates that India is third largest producer of films and ranks 8th among the book producing countries of the world.

Efforts to spread education are really steps also to popularise reading. Besides, Sahitya Akademy brings out translation of literary works of India or from abroad in various Indian languages. The National Book Trust publishes inexpensive books for promoting knowledge. The National Book Trust has also programmes for fostering book-mindedness, and for this purpose arranges book fairs, exhibitions, seminars etc. Recently, Government has also set up a National Book Development Board to advise on book production in the country.

(c) and (d). No, Sir.

दिल्ली उच्च न्यायालय के लिये भवन

2584, श्री विप्लुति मिश्र : क्या गृह-कार्य मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या दिल्ली उच्च न्यायालय के लिये अब तक स्थायी भवन की व्यवस्था नहीं की गई है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ; और

(ग) उच्च न्यायालय के लिये कब तक स्थायी भवन बनाये जाने की संभावना है ?

गृह-कार्य मन्त्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री निष्ठा चरण शुक्ल) : (क) से (ग). अभी नहीं, श्रीमान् । पहले 14 तिलक मार्ग पर भवन निर्माण करने का प्रस्ताव था । वह भूखंड उच्च न्यायालय की वर्तमान व भविष्य की आवश्यकताओं के लिये पर्याप्त न होने के कारण अब शेरशाह रोड पर एक स्टाई भवन का निर्माण करने का निर्णय किया गया है । निर्माण इत्यादि के व्यय की योजना व प्राक्कलन तैयार किये जा रहे हैं । इनकी अंतिम रूप देने के साथ ही भवन निर्माण का कार्य-प्रारम्भ हो जायेगा । योजना व प्राक्कलनों का अंतिम अनुमोदन करने से पश्चात् यह धागा की जाती है कि भवन निर्माण पर लगभग दो वर्ष लग जायेंगे ।