

SHRI M. H. SAMUEL: Is the Provident Fund deduction same as in civilian employment in respect of other ranks? In view of the short-service of the other ranks, I thought you should pay some special consideration for higher Provident Fund deductions.

SARDAR S. S. MAJITHIA: I am afraid I have not said that point. But it compares better with the civilian...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Vallabha Rao.

TEACHERS IN BASIC SCHOOLS IN DELHI

\*78. SHRI J. V. K. VALLABHA-RAO: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state the present number of teachers in Basic Schools in Delhi who are not confirmed?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (DR. K. L. SHRIMALI): 690.

SHRI J. V. K. VALLABHARAO: May I know why they are not confirmed?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: This process of confirmation is a continuous one and is in charge of the Corporation and it is engaging the attention of the Corporation.

SHRI J. V. K. VALLABHARAO: How long are they kept as unconfirmed teachers?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: Well, Sir, the teachers in the senior Basic Schools who were appointed before 1-8-1955 have all been confirmed. The junior Basic School teachers appointed before 1st September, 1951, have been confirmed. They get their cases reviewed periodically and I expect the Corporation to take the necessary steps.

#### INCREASE IN MENTAL CASES IN INDIAN AIR FORCE

\*79. DR. A. SUBBA RAO: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a regular increase in the number of mental cases in the Indian Air Force during the last few years; and

(b) if so, whether Government have investigated into the causes of the increase?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SARDAR S. S. MAJITHIA): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question hour is over.

### WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

#### CENTRAL INDIAN MEDICINAL PLANTS ORGANISATION

\*80. SHRI PERATH NARAYANAN NAIR: Will the Minister of SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Central Indian Medicinal Plants Organisation has been set up by the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research; and

(b) if so, who are the members of that Organisation and what are their qualifications?

THE MINISTER OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS (SHRI HUMAYUN KABIR) : (a) No, Sir, but it is in the process of being set up.

(b) A statement is placed on the Table of the House.

#### STATEMENT

The Organisation consists of two parts, (i) the Executive Council, and (ii) the functional field centres. At its meeting held on the 15th October 1958, the Governing Body of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, has constituted the Executive Council. The Executive Council