

(b) A statement showing the particulars of the Scientific apparatus provided to each Vigyan Mandir is attached. [See Appendix XVIII, Annexure No. 128.]

(c) No list of the types of problems which are to be referred to the National Laboratories for investigation and advice has been formulated. Any problem which cannot be satisfactorily attended to in a Vigyan Mandir, is expected to be referred to the National Laboratory concerned, provided the problem is considered of sufficient importance.

(d) It is proposed to establish Vigyan Mandirs during the Second Five Year Plan only in rural areas, as far as possible.

SHRI AMOLAKH CHAND: May I know, Sir, what is the amount spent on a Vigyan Mandir and what is the literature supplied? And, Sir, will the hon. Minister be pleased to lay a set of the literature supplied there on the Table of the House?

DR. MONO MOHAN DAS: Sir, so far as the literature is concerned, I shall be very glad to do what the hon. Member has wished. And regarding the expenditure, I may inform the hon. Member, Sir, that so far as the non-recurring expenditure is concerned, it requires furniture worth Rs. 4,400 and the operators, appliances and equipments worth Rs. 12,100. The total non-recurring expenditure comes to Rs. 16,500. Then regarding the recurring expenditure, it is Rs. 1,100 for chemicals, researches etc.; contingencies, travelling allowances etc. come to Rs. 2,400; and pay and allowances of the officers, that comes to Rs. 8,900. The total comes to Rs. 12,400.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: How many Vigyan Mandirs are going to be established in the Second Five Year Plan period?

DR. MONO MOHAN DAS: Originally Sir, we had a proposal to establish 92 Vigyan Mandirs all over India for

which Rs. 50 lakhs were earmarked. But due to the financial difficulties of our Government, we do not think we shall be able to achieve that target.

PANDIT S. S. N. TANKHA: May I know what is the purpose of these Vigyan Mandirs?

DR. MONO MOHAN DAS: These Vigyan Mandirs are being established to carry scientific information to the rural areas, and also to make the masses scientific-minded.

\*611. [This question was transferred to the list of Unstarred Questions for the day, where it appears as Unstarred Question No. 1538 A.]

१८५७ के भारतीय स्वतंत्रता संग्राम के पीड़ितों के परिवारों के सदस्यों को पेन्शन का दिया जाना

\*६११. श्री नवाब सिंह चौहान : क्या गृह-काय मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने १८५७ के भारतीय स्वतंत्रता संग्राम के पीड़ितों के परिवार वालों को कुछ पेन्शन दी है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो कितने व्यक्तियों को ऐसी पेन्शन दी गई है और प्रत्येक को कितनी कितनी पेन्शन दी गई है ?

†[GRANT OF PENSION TO MEMBERS OF FAMILIES OF SUFFERERS OF INDIAN STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM OF 1857

\*612. SHRI NAWAB SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have granted any pension to the members of the families of the sufferers of the Indian struggle for freedom of 1857; and

(b) if so, how many persons have been granted such pension and how much pension has been granted in each case?]

†[ ]English translation.