

श्री न० सि० चौहान : सन् १९४८ से १९५१ तक हर साल के ३१ मार्च को सरकार के कब्जे में कितना नकद जमा था ?

†[SHRI N. S. CHAUHAN: What were the cash balances on the 31st March of each year from 1948 to 1951?]

SHRI M. C. SHAH: Is it about the balances? I have not got those figures. The question asked was about the amounts invested in securities for which information was collected.

SHRIMATI SHARDA BHARGAVA: On a point of order, Sir, is it not necessary that when the notice of a question is given in Hindi the reply should also be given in Hindi?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Whenever any question is put and is allowed, the answer has to be given.

SHRIMATI SHARDA BHARGAVA: I want to ask as to why when notice of a question is given in Hindi the answer should also not be given in Hindi.

MR. CHAIRMAN: No, here are no rules, but often when the notice of the question is in English they give answers in Hindi, and so it does not make any difference.

Questions are over.

## WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

### SAHITYA AKADEMI

\*549. SHRI J. V. K. VALLABHARAO: Will the Minister for EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the members of the governing body of the Sahitya Akademi and the regions from which they were chosen; and

(b) the basis on which they were chosen.

THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH (MAULANA ABUL KALAM AZAD): (a) A statement showing the names of the members of the General Council of the Sahitya Akademi is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VII, Annexure No. 249.]

(b) The members have been nominated and selected in accordance with the constitution of the Akademi as contained in the Government Resolution No. F.6-4/51-G2(A), dated 15th December, 1952, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

### अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय सम्मेलनों को प्रतिनिधि

\*५५१. प्रो० रा० धा० सिंह बिनकर : क्या शिक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पिछले तीन वर्षों में कितने ऐसे अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय सम्मेलन हुए जिनमें भारत सरकार के शिक्षा विभाग ने सरकारी खर्चे पर प्रतिनिधि भेजे ; और

(ख) उन लोगों के नाम क्या हैं, जो इन प्रतिनिधि-मण्डलों में सम्मिलित किये गये ?

†[DELEGATES TO INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

\*551. PROF. R. D. SINHA DINKAR: Will the Minister for EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of international conferences held during the past three years to which the Ministry of Education sent delegations at Government expense; and

(b) what are the names of the persons who were included in those delegations?]

THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH (MAULANA ABUL KALAM AZAD): (a) and (b). The required information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

### हिन्दी पुस्तकों का क्रय

\*५५२. प्रो० रा० बा० सिंह  
दिनकर : क्या शिक्षा मंत्र यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) वह योजना क्या है जिसके अधीन सरकार हिन्दी की पुस्तकें खरीदने वाला है ;

(ख) सरकार यह पुस्तकें किन एजेंसियों द्वारा खरीदेगी ; और

(ग) इस सम्बन्ध में सस्ता साहित्य मण्डल को सहायता दिए जाने के क्या कारण हैं ?

### †[ PURCHASE OF HINDI BOOKS

\*552. PROF. R. D. SINHA DINKAR: Will the Minister for EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the scheme which Government propose to follow in purchasing Hindi books;

(b) the names of the agencies through which Government will purchase these books; and

(c) the reasons why it is proposed to help Sasta Sahitya Mandal in this connection?]

THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH (MAULANA ABUL KALAM AZAD): (a), (b) and (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

### Statement

The Government of India have no scheme for the purchase of Hindi

†English translation

books as such. A scheme has, however, been drawn up for the encouragement of popular literature in collaboration with the C.P.A., which aims at the encouragement of the publication of books in various Indian languages intended for neo-literate adults. These will, naturally, include books in Hindi. Further, 1000 copies of each approved book will be purchased for distribution in the community project areas.

A copy of the pamphlet "Programme for the Development and Propagation of Hindi" (1954) has been circulated to Members of the House. It will be seen therefrom that, through this scheme, authors as well as various good publishing organisations will receive help and encouragement.

### INVESTMENT OF CAPITAL IN AFGHANISTAN

423. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister for FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Prime Minister of Afghanistan has stated that his Government would encourage investment of foreign capital in that country to promote production;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to invest any capital in that country; and

(c) if the reply to part (b) above be in the affirmative, the amount proposed to be invested?

THE MINISTER FOR FINANCE (SHRI C. D. DESHMUKH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Government have no intention of investing any capital in Afghanistan.

### REQUESTS FOR BOOKS FROM FOREIGN INSTITUTIONS

424. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister for EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any foreign institutions have requested Government for books from India;