SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SCHEDULED CASTES,
SCHEDULED TRIBES AND BACKWARD
CLASSES

\*355. SHRI E. K. IMBICHIBAVA: Will the Minister for Education be pleased to state:

- (a) how many applications for scholarship were received from (a) scheduled castes, (b) scheduled tribes and (c) other backward classes this year separately, state-wise under each category;
- (b) how many were granted scholarships state-wise and category-wise;
- (c) how many in part (a) above were from 'Mopilas' of Malabar; and
- (d) how many persons referred to in part (c) above were granted scholar-ships?

THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH (MAULANA ABUL KALAM AZAD): (a) A statement is laid on the Table of the House, [See Appendix V, Annexure No. 86.]

- (b) No scholarships have been granted yet. The Selection Committee has commenced its sittings yesterday.
  - (c) 48.
- (d) In view of reply to (b), (d) does not arise.

(Postponed from the 8th September, 1953)

PETITIONS RECEIVED BY THE TRIPURA GOV-ERNMENT FOR REMISSION OF RENT

- \*247. Munshi ARMAN ALI: Will the Minister for States be pleased to state:
- (a) how many petitions have been received by the Government of Tripura for remission of arrears of rents due from the peasants of that State; and
- (b) what steps Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER FOR HOME AF-FAIRS AND STATES (DR. K. N. KATJU): (a) 52 during 1952-53.

(b) Petitions are considered on merits and the necessary relief afforded in accordance with the provisions of rules and regulations. Nospecial measure to deal with this small number of applications is considered necessary.

## Cash and Securities held on Treasury Account

- 144. Shri P. C. BHANJ DEO: Will the Minister for Finance be pleased to state:
- (a) the value of "Cash and Securities held on Treasury Account" on 31st March 1953 against its revised estimate of Rs. 136 crores vide page 69 of the Budget Memorandum for 1953-54;
- (b) whether "Securities held on Treasury Account" refer to the Cash Balance Investment Account;
- (c) the amount of securities held in the Cash Balance Investment Account (or on Treasury Account, if it is not the same thing) on 31st March 1953;
- (d) whether securities held on Treasury Account are Indian or foreign securities; and
- (e) whether Indian Treasury Billswere held on the Treasury Account on 31st March 1953?

THE MINISTER FOR FINANCE (SHRI C. D. DESHMUKH): (a) Rs. 163,15 lakhs approximately.

- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) Rs. 64.96 lakhs approximately.
- (d) Indian.
- (e) No, Sir.

## STOPPAGE OF POPPY CULTIVATION IN HIMACHAL PRADESH

- 145. Shri C. L. VARMA: Will the Minister for Finance be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the poppy cultivation has been stopped: