

organisations, some of which are called 'Senas' have come into being during the last three years. Some of them have a regional or communal bias. Government have no information about foreign financial assistance to any of these organisations. Government keep a close watch on their activities and appropriate action under the law is taken as and when necessary.

#### ARCHAEOLOGY REVIEW COMMITTEE

505. PROF. SAIYID NURUL HASAN : Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to State :

(a) the decision which Government have taken on the report of the Archaeology Review Committee; and

(b) what steps have been taken, or are proposed to be taken, to implement the recommendations accepted by Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (PROF. SHER SINGH) : (a) and (b) A number of recommendations of the Committee had been accepted for implementation but, with the exception of a few, it has not been possible to implement them so far due to financial limitations.

#### ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF INDIA

506. PROF. SAIYID NURUL HASAN: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) the functions of the Archaeological Survey of India;

(b) whether Government have modified the functions of the Survey recently; and

(c) if so, what are the particulars thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (PROF. SHER SINGH) : (a) The functions of the Archaeological Survey of India are as follows :—

##### (1) *Preservation of Monuments—*

(a) Structural repairs

(b) Preparation of Survey Plans of monuments

(c) Chemical preservation

(d) Maintenance of gardens.

##### (2) *Research and Publication—*

(a) Explorations and Excavations

(b) Epigraphy and Numismatics

(c) Environmental Archaeology

(d) Architectural Survey

(e) Preparation of Archaeological atlas

(f) Survey of Antiquities

(g) Publication of (i) Ancient India bulletin of the Archaeological Survey of India; (ii) Annual Report of Indian Epigraphy; (iii) Epigraphia Indica (iv) *Epigraphia Indica*—Arabic and Persian Supplement; (v) Indian Archaeology—A Review; (vi) Guide Books; (vii) Memoirs; and (viii) Picture Post Cards.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

#### “कास्टेशिया”

507. श्रीमती विद्यावती चतुर्वेदी : क्या शिक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या “कास्टेशिया” नामक संस्था का कोई अधिवेशन भारत में होने वाला है;

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो इस पर कितना खर्च होने की आशा है; और

(ग) प्रस्तावित अधिवेशन का क्या उद्देश्य है ?

#### †[CASTASIA

507. SHRIMATI VIDYAWATI CHATURVEDI : Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether any session of an institution called “Castasia” is going to be held shortly in India;

(b) if so, what is the amount of expenditure expected to be incurred on it; and

(c) what is the object of the proposed session?

शिक्षा मंत्री (डा० त्रिगुण सेन) : (क) जी हाँ, एशिया के विकास हेतु विज्ञान तथा शिल्पविज्ञान के अनुप्रयोग पर एक अन्तर-

†[ ] English translation.