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(d) whether it is a fact that originally a 'C' type quarters was planned without a male latrine and servants' rooms and with smaller courtyard but lately the plan was abandoned as being unsuitable and improved plan was adopted by Government ;

(e) if the answer to clause (d) be in the affirmative, the grounds on which the original 'C' type quarters was considered unserviceable and for adopting the improved plan of the 'C' type quarters and whether these grounds hold good now ?

The Hon'ble Mr. ABDUL QAIYUM ANSARI : (a) Yes. There is a proposal to construct 295 nos. of additional clerks' quarters, in the New Capital Area, Patna, but the sites of all these quarters have not yet been finally settled.

(b) Government consider that the revised 'C' type quarters are suitable and spacious enough for the grades of Assistants occupying the same. As regards second part, the reply is in the negative.

(c) The answer is in the negative. The servants' rooms and the second latrine have not been omitted from the plan of the revised 'C' type quarters though dimensions of the rooms and courtyard have been slightly reduced to economise expenditure necessitated by high cost of labour and material. The present cost comes to about double the pre-war figure. This the Government have done after mature consideration of all aspects.

(d) At some stage of the consideration the plan for the revised 'C' type quarters, had no male latrine and servants' rooms, but a finally approved plan provides for all these.

(e) Plan of the revised 'C' type quarters has been adopted simply to economise expenditure. No other question is, therefore, involved. These grounds hold good even now.

GRANT OF STIPENDS.

121. Mr. SAKTI KUMAR : Will the Hon'ble Minister in charge of the Education Department be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of scholarships allotted this year for the Harijans is much less than those awarded last year ;

(b) whether it is a fact that in Patna Division more than 200 Harijan students could not be awarded scholarships last year for want of funds, if so what action Government propose to take against such incidents this year ;

(c) whether it is a fact that a sum of Rs. 175 has been allotted this year for university fees for Harijan students as against Rs. 350 or more last year.

(d) whether it is a fact that a number of Harijan students have not got help for paying their university fees in the Patna Division ;

(e) If the answer to clauses (c) and (d) be in the affirmative, the reasons for the reduction ?

The Hon'ble Mr. JAGLAL CHOUDHURI : (a) The answer is in the affirmative.

(b) Only 87 students and not 200 in Patna Division could not be awarded scholarships. The Welfare Department have proposed substantial increase in the number of stipends this year and the matter is under consideration.

(c) In 1947, Rs. 300 and in 1948, Rs. 175 was allotted to each Inspector of Schools.

(d) The reply is in the affirmative.

(e) Sufficient funds were not available under the head "Miscellaneous".

AWARD OF SOME HARIJAN SCHOLARSHIPS TO HARIJAN GIRLS.

122. Mr. DANARDAN ALDA HO : Will the Hon'ble Minister in charge of the Education Department be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Harijan girls in primary schools in Patna district who were awarded scholarships in the year 1947 ;

(b) whether it is a fact that a scholarship of Rs. 5 p. m. meant for poor and deserving Harijan students was awarded to Srimati Prabhawati and Indukumari daughters of an M. L. A. reading in Muradpur upper Primary School, Patna, for the years 1947 and 1948 ;

(c) If the answer to clause (b) be in the affirmative, the grounds on which the said scholarships were awarded to the said girls ;

(d) whether it is a fact that Urmila Devi, another Harijan girl student of Patna was awarded a scholarship of Rs. 5 p. m. for the year 1947 in Muradpur Upper Primary School though she was never in that School in that year ?

The Hon'ble Mr. BADRINATH VERMA : (a) 21.

(b) The two Harijan girls Prabhawati and Indu Kumari who have been awarded scholarships of Rs. 5 p. m. for the year 1947 and 1948 respectively are the daughters of Mr. Jai Deva Prasad, M. L. O.

(c) The awards were made by the Divisional Committee, which decided to award scholarships to all the girl applicants.

(d) The reply is in the affirmative. The amount of scholarship paid to her has been refunded and deposited in the treasury.