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## SCHOLARSHIPS FOR THE ABORIGINALS.

- 126. Mr. BONIFACE LAKRA: Will Government be pleased to state-
- (a) whether it is a fact that the Patna University has sanctioned a post-graduate scholarship for the aborigines to enable them to study up to their M.A.;
- (b) if the answer to clause (a) he in the affirmative, whether there is any aboriginal candidate enjoying this scholarship; if not, why;
- (c) whether it is a fact that scholarships are awarded to the aborigines to study technical courses, such as Engineering, Medicine, Forest, Industry;
  - (d) if the answer to clause (c) be in the negative, the reasons thereof?
- Mr. SARANGDHAR SINHA: (a) The Patna University does not award any post-graduate scholarships. One of the six Government post-graduate scholarships referred to in article 761 of the Education Code is reserved for an aboriginal candidate provided a qualified candidate is forth-coming.
- (b) In the years 1935 and 1936 no such candidates were forth-coming. In 1937 one aboriginal student graduated, but he did not join a college for post-graduate studies.
- (c) and (d) Engineering and Industry.—There are two scholarships of Rs. 20 a month each, reserved for the aboriginal students reading in the Civil Engineering Subordinate Course of the Bihar College of Engineering. Besides this, 75 stipends varying from Rs. 5 to Rs. 18 per month in all the five years of the Industrial Diploma Course in the Ranchi Technical School are reserved for the aboriginals of Chota Nagpur.

Medicine.—There is a special scholarship of Rs. 20 a month with free tuition for the aboriginals of Chota Nagpur tenable at the Patna Medical College and there is another scholarship of Rs. 10 a month for a pure native of Chota Nagpur tenable at the Darbhanga Medical School.

Forest.—Scholarships are given on a communal basis in the Forest Department, but selected candidates, whether they are aborigines or not, are given stipends during training in a Forest School or College.

RATE OF RENT AND SALAMI FOR CONVERTING AGRICULTURAL LANDS INTO HOMESTEAD LANDS IN RANOHI.

- 127. Mr. BONIFACE LAKRA: Will Government be pleased to state-
- (a) the rent charged in the khasmahal in the Ranchi town in the years 1900, 1910, 1915, 1925, 1930 and 1936;