

# THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE GOVERNOR

OF

## BIHAR AND ORISSA.

*Monday, 12th March 1923.*

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The Council met in the Council Chamber at Patna at 11 A.M.,  
the President in the Chair.

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### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

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#### SUBMISSION OF MEDICAL CERTIFICATE ON FIRST APPOINTMENT TO GOVERNMENT SERVICE AFTER THE AGE OF 40.

126. Maulavi MALIK MUKHTAR AHMAD: (a) Is it a fact that the Government servants who are appointed after the age of 40 are required to submit a medical certificate of their mental and physical fitness?

(b) If the answer be in the negative, will the Government be pleased to state the reasons?

Mr. E. L. TANNER: (a) All Government servants in superior service are required to produce a medical certificate of fitness before appointment whatever their age may be, unless Government direct otherwise.

(b) Does not arise in view of the answer to (a).

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#### SUPPLY OF GOVERNMENT REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS TO THE VERNACULAR PAPERS.

127. Babu DEVAKI PRASHAD SINHA: Are Government reports and publications supplied to the vernacular papers of the province? If not, why not?

Mr. J. R. DAIN: Government reports and returns and other publications are supplied free of charge to newspapers on application, if the applicant is of sufficient standing to merit the concession.

[B. Devaki Prashad Sinha]

Babu DEVAKI PRASHAD SINHA: Sir, my question has not been answered. My question was "Are Government reports and publications supplied to the vernacular papers of the province?"

Is any vernacular paper of the province receiving these Government reports and publications?

Mr. J. R. DAIN: Certain vernacular papers of the province are receiving these reports.

Babu DEVAKI PRASHAD SINHA: Is any Hindi paper receiving Government reports and publications?

Mr. J. R. DAIN: If the hon'ble member will give me notice of the question, I will give him a list of the papers which are receiving Government publications.

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AMOUNT SPENT ON BIHAR AND ORISSA RESEARCH SOCIETY.

128. Maulavi SAIYID MUBARAK ALI: (a) Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the amount spent for the Bihar and Orissa Research Society since its inception? What portion of this amount has been paid by Government?

(b) When was the last issue of the journal of the Society out? What is the usual period of interval at which journals are issued?

(c) Who is the present editor of the journal?

Mr. B. A. COLLINS: (a) Rs 95,286-10-0 has been spent on the Bihar and Orissa Research Society since its inception in 1915. Out of this amount Rs. 73,100 has been paid by Government.

(b) The last issue of the journal, viz., that for December 1921, was out in September 1922. The journal is a quarterly publication.

(c) The publication of the journal is in the hands of a committee, of which Mr. G. S. Bhate, I.E.S., is the convener.

Babu DEVAKI PRASHAD SINHA: Why was the issue of the Journal for December, 1921, published in the year 1922 in the month of September?