

(MAULANA ABUL KALAM AZAD): (a) and (b). A statement giving the requisite information is attached. AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH (MAU- [See Appendix XVII, Annexure No. 26.]

ESTABLISHMENT OF A CENTRAL HINDI TRAINING INSTITUTE

142. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister for EDUCATION AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to establish a Central Hindi Training Institute with branches spread all over the country for imparting training in the use of Hindi terms, particularly in the Hindi technical and scientific terms; and

(b) if so, when and where the Institute will be established?

THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH (MAULANA ABUL KALAM AZAD): (a) No such proposal is under consideration.

(b) Does not arise.

TRAINING OF MILITARY OFFICERS IN DEFENCE AGAINST NUCLEAR WEAPONS

143. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister for DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to depute some military officers to the United Kingdom, the United States of America and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics for training in defence against nuclear weapons; and

(b) if so, how many officers are likely to be sent for this training?

THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE (SHRI V. K. KRISHNA MENON): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

PRODUCTION OF GOLD AND IRON ORE

144. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister for STEEL, MINES AND FUEL be pleased to state the total production of gold and iron ore in the country in the years 1955 and 1956 and their value?

THE MINISTER FOR MINES AND OIL (SHRI K. D. MALAVIYA): A statement giving the requisite information is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

	Output ('000 oz.)	Value ('000 Rs.)
<i>Gold—</i>		
1955 . . .	211	5,30,14
1956 . . .	209	5,76,73
<i>Iron ore—</i>		
1955 . . .	4,653	3,24,55
1956 . . .	4,788	3,87,78

NOTE:—1956 figures are provisional

COMMISSION TO PETROL DEALERS

145. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister for STEEL, MINES AND FUEL be pleased to state:

(a) what is the commission paid to the petrol dealers by oil companies; and

(b) whether there is a demand for increase in that commission; if so, by how much?

THE MINISTER FOR MINES AND OIL (SHRI K. D. MALAVIYA): (a) 19 np. per gallon.

(b) Yes, Sir. To 20 nP. per gallon.

ASSISTANCE RENDERED TO COAL MINERS FOR SAND STOWING

146. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister for STEEL, MINES AND FUEL be pleased to state:

(a) the extent of assistance rendered by Government to the coal miners for sand stowing in each of the last three years; and