

# International artist remembers his school

## RAZA'S GENEROUS DONATION TO NAGPUR SCHOOL OF ART

(By A Staff Reporter)

**NAGPUR, May 8.**—True to his greatness as well as his sense of gratefulness, Mr S H Raza, the world famed artist, has sent a donation of Rs. 3000 to the Nagpur School of Art towards its building fund.

As the lovers of art in this city know, Mr Raza, who has now settled in Paris, had his early lessons in art at the Nagpur School of Art and has always acknowledged the debt of gratitude he owes to this school and to its Principal, Mr M V Athavale. His donation to his former school is a gesture in keeping with his attachment to it.

After his studies in Art at Nagpur and other cities in India, Raza had his further training at the famous Academy at Paris. He was awarded the internationally coveted prize, 'Prix de la critique' in Paris in 1956. Further honours have followed in an unbroken chain from France, Germany, Italy, Canada and the USA.

Raza has now been "owned" by Paris and has also married an artist from the same city. Raza visited India a few years ago and unfailingly spent a few days in Nagpur amid the nostalgic surroundings. He visited India again last month and his One Man Shows met with great success in Delhi and Bombay. He however, became a little indisposed in health and could not visit Nagpur.

The Nagpur School of Art has expressed its high appreciation and gratefulness to Raza for his generous donation and for his unforgettable gesture.