१६६३-६४ के किये ३ करोड़ की प्लैन्स बन रहीं है।

श्री रामेज्वरानन्द: क्या यह सच है कि इमर्जेन्सी के कारण इस समय पहले की स्रपेक्षा श्रिपक बेरोजगारी बढ़ रही है।

Mr. Speaker: It is a general question.

Shri Hem Barua: May I know if it is a fact that there were large number of offices and a large number of people, and if so, may I know whether the present administration has reduced the number of offices and the number of men in the office and whether, that is one of the reasons why there is unemployment

Shri Dinesh Singh: It is a general question aout all the offices. As I mentioned, some offices have been closed and others have been opened.

Land Reforms in Mahe

*236, Shri Pottekkatt: Shri A. V. Raghavan:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken to carry out land reforms in the former French enclave of Mahe; and
- (b) whether the question of extending the Kerala Agrarian Relations Act, 1961 to Mahe had been considered and the decision taken thereon?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of External Affairs (Shri Dinesh Singh): (a) The Malabar Tenancy Act, 1929 was extended to Mahe in 1958. Subsequently, the Mahe (Stay of Eviction Proceedings) Order was promulgated on the 28th of April, 1962 for a period of six months. The continuance of this Order upto the 31st of December, 1963 is under consideration.

(b) The Supreme Court has declared some sections of the Kerala

Agrarian Relations Act, 1961; as ultra vires of the Constitution. The Government of India understand that the Kerala Government are considering the formulation of a comprehensive tenancy legislation before the end of 1963. The Government of India will thereupon examine the question of extending the same Tenancy Law to Mahe.

ब्राकाशवाणी में शक्तिशाली ट्रांसमीटर

क्या सूचना ग्रीर प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

- (क) क्या यह सच है कि ग्राकाश-वाणी में शक्तिशाली ट्रांसमीटरों का ग्रभाव है :
- (ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि इनके

 अभाव के कारण दूरस्थ देशों के लिये प्रसारित
 कार्यक्रम वहां ठीक ठीक नहीं सुने जा सकते;

 और
 - (ग) यदि हां, तो सरकार इस सम्बन्ध में क्या कदम उठा रही है ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री शाम नाथ) : (क) जी, हां।

- (खा) जी, हां, कुछ, हद तक ।
- (ग) दिल्ली में १०० किलोबाट के दो शार्टबेब ट्रांसमीटर लगाने का काम चालू है और उम्मीद है कि यह १६६३–६४ के अन्त तक पूरा हो जायेगा। इसके अलावा तृतीय योजना में अकाशवाणी की विदेश सेवा की शक्ति बढ़ाने के लिये दिल्ली में १०० किलोबाट के ५ और शार्टबेब ट्रांसमीटर सगाने की व्यवस्था की गई है। इस योजना की कार्यन्वित फाँरन ऐक्सचेंज के मिलने पर निर्मेट है।

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) Yes, Sir, to some extent.
- (c) Work on installation of two 100 KW shortwave transmitters at Delhi is in hand and is likely to be completed by the end of 1963-64. In addition, provision has been made in the Third Plan for installation of five 100 KW shortwave transmitters at Delhi for strengthening the external services of A.I.R. The implementation of this scheme is subject to the availability of foreign exchange.

श्री सिद्धेक्ष्यर प्रसाद : क्या सरकार ने इस बात पर विचार किया है कि शक्ति-काली ट्रांसमीटरों के ग्रभाव में विदेशी प्रचार का कार्यक्रम उचित रीति से नहीं चल सकता है? यदि हां, तो इस के लिए विदेशी मुद्रा की कठिनाई को दूर करने के लिए क्या कदम उठाए जा रहे हैं?

श्री शामनाथ: उस के लिए यह कोशिश की जा रही है कि ज्यादा से ज्यादा फारेन एक्सचेंज हमें मिले। सन् १६५८ से जो ट्रांस्मीटर श्राने वाले थे उन क काम शुरू हो गया था लेकिन उस में थोड़ी सी देर हुई। जो तीसरी योजना के पांच ट्रांस्मीटर हैं उन के लिये भी फ़ारेन एक्सचेन्ज हासिल करने की कोशिश की जा रही है।

श्री सिद्धेडवर प्रसाद : दिल्ली के अतिरिक्त और किन स्टेशनों पर शक्तिशाली ट्रांस्मीटर लगाये जायेंगे ?

Shri Sham Nath: This is rather a different question. The hon. Memer wants to know at what other stations we are putting up high-powered transmitters. As far as Delhi is concerned, the external services are radioed from Delhi station and here we require more high-powered transmitters.

Shrimati Savitri Nigam: What are the reasons for the delay in fixing up these transmitters, because the work was started in 1958? May I know whether any other countries are collaborating with us in this matter?

Shri Sham Nath: The ordered transmitters have not come. As soon as they come, they will be installed.

Shrimati Savitri Nigam: Is it because of our fault that we could not place orders in time or the other party have not supplied it?

Shri Sham Nath: Yes Sir, there was some delay in placing the order but it was due to non-availability of foreign exchange.

Shri Inder J. Malhotra: The AIR plays a very important role especially in this emergency. May I know if these plans and schemes were formulated before the emergency or whether they have been reorganised keeping in view the requirements of the present emergency?

Shri Sham Nath: As I stated in my answer, Sir, in the second Five Year lan also there was provision for two high-powered transmitters. In the third Plan, there is provision for 5 high-powered transmitters. We are trying to get them as quickly as possible.

श्री प० ला० बारूपाल : बीकानेर का सब रेडियो स्टेशन चालू करने का कार्यक्रम कब तक पूरा हो जायेगा ?

Shri Sham Nath: Even though it is a separate matter, I can inform the hon. Member that in two or three months' time we will be able to do something as far as Bikaner is concerned.

Shri Basumatari: May I know whether any complaint has been received by the Government that due to the shortage of a high-power transmitter at Gauhati our defence effort badly suffered during the time of the Chinese aggression; and, if so, what steps have been taken by the Government to meet the situation?

Shri Sham Nath: The transmitter which we installed at Gauhati is being replaced by a higher power transmitter of 50 kilowatts.

Shri Abdul Ghani Goni: May I know whether the hon. Minister is

aware that the radio transmitter in Jammu is only of one kilowatt and it cannot be heard even locally whereas in the occupied area of Kashmir there is a high-power transmitter which being heard throughout; if so, what steps are being taken to improve the position?

Shri Sham Nath: As far as Janumu and Kashmir Radio Stations are concerned, we intend doing something for improving their power.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Recruitment of Ex-Servicemen

*238. Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad: Shri Bhakt Darshan: Shri P. K. Deo: Shri Ram Harkh Yadav:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have decided to open recruitment of ex-Servicemen to the regular army; and
- (b) if so, since when and the qualifications needed for their re-employment?

The Defence Minister (Shri Y. B. Chavan): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Orders regarding the rc-employment of ex-servicemen were issued on the 28th November 1962. All ex-Junior Commissioned Officers, Other Ranks and Non Combatants (Enrolled) bearing 'good' military character and in medical category 'A' are eligible for re-employment or re-enrolment subject to the following maximum age limits:—

Junior Commissioned Officers .. 48 years. Other Ranks .. 45 years.

Non-Combatants

(Enrolled) .. 50 years.

T.B. Cases in Sugar Factories

*239. Shri A. N. Vidyalankar: Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that recently the number of T.B. cases amongst the workers in the sugar factories has increased considerably;
- (b) whether it is due to the inhalation of sugar dust causing bagassosis, that soon develops into T.B.; and
- (c) the steps taken to check the growth of bagassosis and T.B. amongst the workers in sugar factories?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Labour and Employment and for Planning (Shri C. R. Pattabhi Raman):
(a) and (c). Information is being collected from the State Governments and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha as soon as it is available.

(b) No. Bagassosis is caused by the dust of Bagasse and not sugar dust. It has not been proved that bagassosis pre-disposes the worker towards Tuberculosis.

National Income

Shri P. K. Deo:
Shri Subodh Hansda:
*240. { Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shri Gopal Datt Mengi:
Shri Abdul Ghani Goni:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been an increase of 2.2 per cent in India's National Income last year according to the estimate prepared by the Central Statistical Organisation of the Central Cabinet, as against 5 per cent envisaged in the Third Five Year Plan period; and
- (b) if so, the reason for this comparative small increase?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of External Affairs (Shri Dinesh Singh): (a) According to the preliminary estimates of national income just released by the Central Statistical Organisation, the national income at 1948-49 prices increased by 2·1 per cent in 1961-62 over the previous year. Target of increase in national income envisaged in the Third Plan relates to