

val **Legislation Committee** some months ago has been completed;

(b) whether it is a fact that serious difficulties are encountered by intending researchers on account of the existing rules of access to documents; and

(c) if so, whether early steps will be taken in the matter?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No serious difficulties have come to Government's notice.

(c) Does not arise.

C.I. Sheets for Bihar

*573. **Shri P. G. Sen:** Will the Minister of **Steel and Heavy Industries** be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of corrugated iron sheets supplied to the State of Bihar during the year 1961-62 and the quantity to be supplied in the current year; and

(b) whether the Central Government have received any representation from the Government of Bihar for the increase of such quota in view of the growing public demands as a large number of villages have recently been destroyed by fire in that State?

The Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) 5,795 metric tons of Galvanised Corrugated sheets were despatched (supplied) during the period from April, 1961 to February, 1962, against all quotas and including despatches to the Controlled Stockists in the State. It is not possible to indicate the expected supplies during 1962-63, at present.

(b) Yes, Sir, to the extent possible, as this is an item which is in short supply.

Development of Roads in Nagaland

*574. **Shri S. C. Jamir:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Border Road Development Board has started its work in Nagaland;

(b) if so, the number of roads taken over by the Board;

(c) progress made so far in the construction of the roads; and

(d) the approximate time required for completion of the roads?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Krishna Menon): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). It is not in the public interest to disclose these details.

Production in Steel Plants

*575. **Shri Maheswar Naik:** Will the Minister of **Steel and Heavy Industries** be pleased to state:

(a) the production of steel up-to-date for each of the three steel plants in the public sector and the earnings therefrom; and

(b) to what extent the plants have undertaken export of the then production and what are the export earnings therefrom?

The Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) The production of steel ignots in each of the three public sector plants from the commencement of production upto 31st March, 1962, was:

Bhilai	1.27	million tonnes
Rourkela	.634	„ „
Durgapur	.63	„ „
Total :	2.534	„ „

The earnings for the same period amount to about Rs. 1182 million, including sale of pig iron and by-products.

(b) About 3 lakh tonnes of iron and steel have been exported up to March