Building material for Tripura

*1027. { Shri Dasaratha Deb: Shri Biren Dutta:

Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

- (a) what was the total quota of G.C.I. sheet, steel, iron and cement for Tripura during the Second Five Year Plan;
- (b) total quantity that was supplied to Tripura out of that quota;
- (c) whether it is a fact that due to shortage of those materials, construction works in Tripura suffer at present; and
- (d) if so, what steps are being taken to remedy it?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri Jaganatha Rao): (a) to (d). The question concerns the Minister of Home Affairs and will be answered by him on a subsequent date.

Recruitment of Trainee-Engineers in Industries

*1028. Shri D. C. Sharma: Shri P. C. Borooah;

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a new scheme for recruiting trainee-engineers to meet the shortage of trained personnel in industries was under consideration;
- (b) if so, the broad outlines of the same; and
- (c) when it is likely to be implemented?

The Minister of Industry in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Kanungo): (a) and (b). The National Productivity Council have a scheme to recruit young engineers in consultation with the Local Productivity Councils, to train them in industrial engineering and then to

fix them in the cadre of industrial engineers in the Local Productivity Councils. These engineers will provide various kinds of services to the members of the Local Productivity Councils.

(c) Steps have already been taken to implement the scheme. Some L.P.Cs, have already appointed industrial engineers and some States have also sanctioned financial assistance for this specific purpose.

Development of Cottage Industries in NEFA

*1029. Shri P. C. Borooah: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a comprehensive programme of development of cottage industries in NEFA has been outlined;
- (b) if so, what are the broad outlines of the programme; and
- (c) the estimated cost of the programme?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of External Affairs (Shri D. Ering): (a) Yes Sir.

- (b) The programme broadly aims at fostering and spreading traditional cottage industries such as weaving, basket making and wood carving; introducing suitable new crafts such as black-smithy, carpentary, sawing and tailoring; the imparting of better techniques to craftsmen; making available supplies of tools and raw materials; and arranging marketing facilities for finished products.
- (c) The expenditure during the period 1953—62 was Rs 30.6 lakhs, A sum of Rs. 5.9 lakhs has been provided in the current year's budget.

Pak. Maps circulated in Calcutta

*1030. Shri Harj Vishnu Kamath:
Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been the tourist map showing certain areas of India as part of Pakistan re-