

Second Five Year Plan

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 Shri D. C. Sharma;
 Dr. K. E. Menon;
 Pandit M. B. Bhargava;
 Shri Rup Narain;
 Shri Supakar:

Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state:

(a) the total expenditure incurred on the Second Five Year Plan during the first year;

(b) the various sources for financing of the Plan and their variations from the original estimates; and

(c) the deficit financing of the Plan resorted to during the first year?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Labour and Employment and Planning (Shri L. N. Mishra): (a) According to 'revised estimates' the total expenditure on the plan in 1956-57 works out at Rs. 761 crores.

(b) and (c). Of the total of Rs. 761 crores, Rs. 427 crores is estimated to have been financed from taxation, railway profits, loans and other capital receipts and Rs. 63 crores from external assistance. The deficit financing for the year is estimated at Rs. 271 crores. In the Plan as it was released in May 1956 estimates of resources for individual years of the plan had not been worked out; no year by year comparison is, therefore, possible.

Forge-Foundry

*769. Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state whether negotiations for establishing a forge-foundry have been completed?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): In view of the decision to revise and expand this project to meet the requirements of the heavy machine building plant to be set up with the collaboration of the U.S.S.R., it has become necessary to entertain revised offers from the firms concerned and these are under consideration.

Pakistan Military Base near Jammu Border

*770. Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state whether Government are aware that the Pakistan Government is establishing a big military base near Jammu border?

The Deputy Minister of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menon): According to information, Pakistan is setting up a military base near Kharian in the district of Gujrat, adjoining the western border of Jammu.

Use of Timber in Government Constructions

*771. Shri V. P. Nayar: Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of India has any programme for the substitution of non-conventional varieties of timber in the place of teak, sal and other special types of conventional timber for use in Government's constructions; and

(b) how much of conventional timber is being saved, if any, by such substitution?

The Deputy Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri Anil K. Chanda): (a) No Sir

(b) Does not arise.

Devpuri Colony

*772. Shrimati Parvathi Krishnan: Will the Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of loan given to builders from Rehabilitation Funds* for constructing Devpuri colony in Meerut (U.P.) for displaced persons;

(b) whether the quarters in Devpuri colony have been allotted to refugees; and

(c) whether the quarters have been sold to these refugees against their claims?

The Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna): (a) A sum of Rs. 4 lakhs was advanced as loan by the Government of U.P. to Messrs B. D. Gupta