

Shri A. C. Guha: As far as I know, India has been fulfilling her obligations under the international convention, and to my knowledge there is no complaint from the international body regarding any lapse on the part of India in this connection.

Shri Nanadas: May I know whether opium cultivation is an economic proposition in India?

Shri A. C. Guha: There also, I would like to have explanation as to what is meant by "economic proposition". Certainly for the cultivators who grow poppy, it is an economic means of livelihood.

RESIDENTIAL AND OTHER BUILDINGS OF
ex-RULERS

*151. **Shri Dabbi:** Will the Minister of States be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have taken over the residential and other buildings belonging to the ex-Rulers and/or their States situated in Delhi;

(b) if so, the names of these buildings and the places where they are situated;

(c) the terms under which they were taken over; and

(d) the use to which these buildings are being put at present?

The Minister of Home Affairs and States (Dr. Katju): (a) to (d). A statement is placed on the Table of the House giving the required information in respect of the residential and other buildings taken over by the Government of India from Rulers and/or State Governments. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 50.]

Shri Dabbi: May I know the present market value of each of these?

Dr. Katju: Don't you think you are rather unfair to me? How can I say?

Shri Raghuramaiah: Is there any proposal to take over Hyderabad House, any negotiations in that respect?

Dr. Katju: Not to my knowledge.

Shri Sarangadhar Das: The Minister should look at the Chair.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: The hon. Minister will look at the Chair and answer.

Dr. Katju: I take instructions from you, Sir.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: Next question.

WOMEN'S SAVINGS WEEK

*152. **Shri K. P. Sinha:** (a) Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state the total amount invested separately up to June, 1953 in all the three types of investment under the Small Savings Scheme?

(b) Which of the States has made the largest contribution?

(c) What amount has been invested under "Women's Savings Week" drive?

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shri A. C. Guha): (a) The net investment upto June, 1953 in each of the three types amounted approximately to:—

(Rs. in crores).

Post Office Savings Bank.	220.77
National Savings Certificates.	173.10
10-Year Treasury Savings Deposit Certificates.	27.57

(b) Bombay.

(c) Rs. 42 lakhs.

Shri K. P. Sinha: Is it a fact that the money thus raised would be left to the respective States for expenditure on development projects?

Shri A. C. Guha: No, Sir. There is an all-India target of Rs. 45 crores. There is also a target for each State. If that target of 45 crores is achieved and if the State can get anything over and above its own target, that excess money would be left to the States.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: Next Question.