UNEMPLOYMENT

*888. Shri Radha Raman: (a) Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to state whether Government are collecting statistics of educated unemployed persons in different States through the Employment Exchanges year after year?

(b) If so, what is their number, State-wise?

(c) How do the figures for this year compare with those of the last year?

(d) What further steps do Government propose to take to decrease this number?

The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali): (a) Statistics in regard to educated persons (Matriculates and Graduates) registered with the Employment Exchanges have been collected since May, 1952.

(b) and (c). A statement comparing the position as at the end of May, 1952 with that at the end of June, 1953, is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 41.]

Exchange statistics show an increase of about 32,000 such employment seekers, 30,000 being Matriculates and 2,000 being Graduates.

(d) Steps to find avenues of employment to educated unemployed, are under the active consideration of the Planning Commission which has already addressed State Governments indicating possible lines of action.

Shri C. D. Pande: Is Government aware that most of the people do not enlist themselves in the Employment Exchanges; therefore, the figures taken from them should not be considered as really figures of unemployed?

Shri Abid Ali: Of course, we are aware that all the unemployed persons do not enrol themselves with the Employment Exchanges.

Shri Radha Raman: Have Government any scheme to establish centres in other sectors to find out the real position of unemployment in the country? Shri Abid Ali: These exchanges are not established to find out the position of unemployment: the purpose of the exchanges is to find employment for the unemployed persons.

Shri P. C. Bose: Are all the candidates registered with the employment exchanges 'unemployed', or some of them may be holding some jobs?

Shri Abid Ali: Most of them claim that they are unemployed at the time of registration.

Shri P. C. Bose: What percentage is likely to be in employment?

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: He said that a large percentage is unemployed.

Shri T. S. A. Chettiar: Is the Government in a position to make a comprehensive statement as to how they propose to tackle this problem?

Shri Abid Ali: As I have said, a letter has already been addressed by the Planning Commission to the State Governments indicating the steps which are proposed to be taken in this matter.

Shrimati A. Kale: May I know whether there are any women among the unemployed?

Shri Abid Ali: Yes, Sir, many.

Shri Jaipal Singh: Is it a fact that in Jamshedpur in the State of Bihar the Steel company has its own independent employment exchange?

Shri Abid Ali: Some industrial establishments have got their departments for the purpose of keeping a register of such persons whom they may be needing in the near future.

Kumari Annie Mascarene: May I know, Sir, when trained nurses are available in the country and remain without employment, why Government get nurses from America and other countries and employ them here on T. C. A. basis which is meant only for industries?

• Shri Abid Ali: We do not bring anyone from outside.....

Kumari Annie Mascarene: Suppose, I give you evidence?

Shri Abid Ali: What I meant to say was that such of the experts who are necessary for technical or scientific purposes only are brought from outside and not such incumbents, as mentioned by the hon. Member,

Kumari Annie Mascarene: I can prove that people with less qualifications are brought here.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: The hon, Member will please send the information to the Minister.

Shri Sarangadhar Das: Inasmuch as the unemployment problem is so acute and reports are coming from all over the country, do Government have any plan to determine the number of unemployed and under-employed people in the country?

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: There seems to be a Resolution before the House.

Shri A. N. Vidyalankar: The hon. Minister just now stated that employment exchanges are not meant to collect data of unemployed. Then, what other methods are adopted to gather complete and accurate data regarding unemployment of a permanent nature, as well as of intermittent nature?

Shri Abid Ali: A question was put whether we will open offices in other sectors to find out the position of unemployment. To that I replied that the main purpose of the employment exchange is to find out employment for those who seek employment through . the exchanges.

Shri Punnoose: In Travancore-Cochin State the number of unemployed has increased from 2,889 to 5,580. This, hope, is the largest percentage in T India. May I know, Sir, whether there is any instruction from the Planning Commission or the Government of India or any quarter to lower the percentage of students promoted from the School Final, the B.A., and other examinations-as revealed by the recent examination results of only 18 or 20 per cent. promotions?

Shri Abid Ali: The letter which has been addressed by the Planning Commission will cover Travancore-Cochin State also.

Oral Answers

Shri Jaipal Singh: Is there any coordination between the employment exchanges run by the Ministry of Labour and the Soldiers', Sailors' and Airmen's Board of the Ministry of Defence? If the answer is in the affirmative, with what results?

Shri Abid Ali: I would require notice of that question.

Shri Gidwani: May I know whether any reports of cases of suicide among the educated unemployed have been received by Government?

Shri S. N. Das: What was the number of employment exchanges in 1952 and what is the present number?

Shri Abid Ali: Over one hundred.

Shri S. N. Das: Has there been any increase or decrease?

Shri Abid Ali: There has been no increase or decrease.

KEY FARM CENTRES

*889. Shri S. C. Samanta: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) how many Key Farm Centres have so far been started under the auspices of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research with the purcattle and pose of improving the buffaloes through artificial insemination;

(b) how many trained personnel have been stationed in each centre; and

(c) how this artificial insemination method in India is working in comparison with the results obtained in other countries of the world especially U.S.A.?

The Deputy Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri M. V. Krishnappa): (a) and (b). A statement giving the information is laid on the required Table of the House. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 42.]