

(ii) Other buildings, institutions etc. would be managed by the Punjab Government for the Central Government. All receipts would be credited to the latter Government who will bear losses, if any, and accept responsibility for the expenditure incurred.

(iii) In respect of Administration and Municipal expenditure, the Centre's liabilities during the first year will be upto a maximum of Rs. 83,500/-.

TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING

*1304. **Sardar Hukam Singh:** Will the Minister of Rehabilitation be pleased to state:

(a) the number of displaced persons who have so far been imparted technical or vocational training in D.G.R.E. Centres and polytechnic institutions; and

(b) whether Government have any idea of the number who, after training, have been gainfully employed?

The Minister of Rehabilitation (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) Upto September 1953, 21,248 displaced persons from both West and East Pakistan have been trained in the centres run by the D.G.R.E. and in polytechnic institutions.

(b) No; complete information is not available.

BRASS AND COPPER VESSELS INDUSTRY

*1305. { Shri Dabhi:
Shri Raghunath Singh:
Shri Balwant Sinha Mehta:
Shri Niddananjappa:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that due to the increasing use of stainless steel vessels in the country, the indigenous industry of brass and copper vessels has been hit hard; and

(b) the quantity of stainless steel sheets imported into India during the years 1950-51, 1951-52 and 1952-53?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari):

(a) Stainless steel vessels are far more costly than brass and copper vessels and it cannot be said that the use of Stainless steel sheets for making utensils has seriously affected the brass and copper vessels industry.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 2.]

MOULDING SANDS

*1306. **Shri Eswara Reddy:** (a) Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state what steps are being taken for investigating the possibility of indigenous moulding sands for use in Piston-Ring castings?

(b) What are the possibilities of developing indigenous sources for the same?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari):

(a) The possibility of using indigenous moulding sands for use in Piston-Ring castings is under investigation in the National Metallurgical Laboratory, Jamshedpur. It is understood that a firm in the country is already using indigenous moulding sands in Piston-Ring Castings.

(b) There are possibilities of developing indigenous sources. A survey of the availability of these sands is being made.

TEACHERS SENT TO AFGHANISTAN

*1307. **Shri B. K. Das:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) how many teachers have so far been sent to Afghanistan from India for teaching English in the institutions of that country;

(b) how they have been recruited; and

(c) the conditions of their service?