

(b) if so, are they paid any over-time allowance?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) Yes, only those connected with the receipt, despatch and delivery of mails.

(b) No, but Postmen and Packers are paid a fixed allowance of Re. 1/- for each holiday on which they work.

VEGETABLE SEED BREEDING STATION,
KULU

***988. Shri Hem Raj:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the area of land under the Vegetable Seed Breeding Station, Kulu (Punjab); and

(b) the annual expenditure incurred on it?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri Kidwai): (a) and (b). The information in so far as the Central Vegetable Breeding Station at Kulu is concerned, is:—

(i) Area of land 23 acres (approx.)

(ii) Annual expenditure:—

1950-51	1951-52	1952-53
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
49,064	58,334	60,805

WAR INJURIES COMPENSATION INSURANCE
ACT

***989. Shri K. C. Sodhia:** (a) Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to state the total amount spent so far towards labour welfare under the War Injuries Compensation Insurance Act?

(b) What is the nature of these measures and at how many centres is this work being carried on?

(c) What is the total number of persons benefiting thereby?

The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali): (a) A sum of about Rs. 2,34,000/- has been sanctioned so far; the amount actually spent is not known at present.

(b) Copies of the two schemes under which grants are made are placed on the Table of the House. [Placed in the Library. See Library Index No. S—79/54.]

(c) 42 workmen in the case of the scheme for the award of scholarship and about 6,500 workmen in the Central sphere in the case of the other scheme. In the State sphere, the number will be large but the exact figures are not known.

VANAMAHOTSAVA

***990. Shrimati Kamlendu Matj Shah:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the number of trees planted so far under the Vanamahotsava Scheme;

(b) the number of trees that have survived so far; and

(c) the amount of money spent on the Scheme?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri Kidwai): (a) and (b). Attention is invited to the reply given to parts (a) and (b) of Question No. 55 on the 17th February, 1954.

(c) Rs. 49,708/- since its start over four years ago.

COLLISION OF "JALAMOTI"

***991. { Shri Bishwa Nath Roy:
Shri H. S. Prasad:
Sardar A. S. Saigal:**

Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Freighter "Jalamoti" was involved in a collision in February, 1954 in the Elbestuary; and

(b) the amount of loss due to the collision?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): (a) Yes.

(b) This has not yet been assessed.