

INFORMATION CENTRES

*1146. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) the number of information centres opened to popularise the First Five Year Plan; and

(b) the agency under which they work?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): (a) and (b). Two centres in Delhi State will be shortly opened by the Bharat Sevak Samaj.

N.E.F.A.

*1151. **Shri R. K. Chaudhuri:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the name of the language in which proceedings in Court and offices in the North East Frontier Agency are interpreted to the Officers not conversant with the dialect spoken there, and

(b) whether it is a fact that formerly in the areas now included in N.E.F.A., interpretation was carried on in Assamese?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister (Shri J. N. Hazarika): (a) and (b). There are no prescribed languages in which proceedings in Courts and Offices are to be interpreted. The languages normally used were and are Assamese and Hindi and in rare cases English. Officers are encouraged to learn the tribal languages of the area concerned.

E.C.A.F.E.

*1153. **Shri Sanganna:** Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that E.C.A.F.E. have prepared a manual on investigation and administration of multi-purpose River Projects;

(b) whether the Government of India were consulted in the matter; and

(c) if so, the nature of the suggestions made by Government in this connection?

The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Hathi): (a) There has been no such publication so far as Government are aware.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

ARECANUT

*1155. **Pandit Munishwar Datt Upadhyay:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state the price of arecanut before the enhancement of import duty and the price at present?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Karmarkar): A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix V, annexure No. 21.]

UNEMPLOYMENT

*1156. **Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:** Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state:

(a) whether the execution of various development projects under the First Five Year Plan have in any way succeeded in reducing unemployment in the country; and

(b) if so, to what extent?

The Deputy Minister of Planning (Shri S. N. Mishra): (a) and (b). No quantitative assessment is possible at this stage. Replies received from some States indicate that these schemes have relieved unemployment to some extent.

UNEMPLOYMENT

*1158. **Shri L. N. Mishra:** Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state:

(a) whether any assessment of the results achieved in solving unemployment problem of the society through its policy of Road Development and expansion of One Teacher School in various States, has been made; and

(b) if so, with what results?