

two years 1950-51 and 1951-52 is as follows:

1950-51 ...	Rs. 52.09 crores
1951-52 ...	Rs. 164.37 crores

(b) Yes, Sir, wherever this is considered necessary. The Director, India Supply Mission, Washington invariably consults the Financial Adviser attached to the Embassy of India in Washington in all important purchases.

DEVELOPMENT OF BROADCASTING

364. Shri M. L. Dwivedi: Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) the functions and terms of reference of the Scientific Advisory Committee for the development of broadcasting in India;

(b) the personnel of the Committee;

(c) the achievements of the Committee;

(d) whether the recommendations of the Scientific Advisory Committee in connection with the development of broadcasting and the All India Radio's plans in the same direction as revised in consultation with the Planning Commission are on the same lines; and

(e) if not, the extent and nature of the points of difference between the two?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): (a) The Committee advises the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting:

(i) On the scientific aspects of development of broadcasting and on new methods and techniques for providing a broadcasting service according to the highest international standards; and

(ii) on the research work that should be conducted by All India Radio to constantly improve the standards and ensure that the service is maintained at a high level of efficiency.

(b) The personnel of the Committee is as follows:

(i) Chief Engineer, All India Radio.

(ii) Dr. K. S. Krishnan, D.Sc., F.R.S., Director, National Physical Laboratory, New Delhi.

(iii) Prof. K. Srinivasan, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore.

(iv) Shri S. N. Kalra, Deputy Chief Engineer, Overseas Communication Services, Government of India, New Delhi.

(c) The Committee met on 26th September 1951. This meeting was of an exploratory nature. The gist of its recommendations is as follows:

(1) To determine the noise level in various parts of India for the range of frequencies in the broadcast band; to conduct a survey for a period of one year for determining the signal to noise ratio required according to accepted standards for providing a satisfactory mediumwave service;

(2) To collect accurate figures of soil conductivity in various parts of India;

(3) To establish an experimental pilot station for television in India for studying its potentialities and training the necessary personnel for such service;

(4) To provide adequate accommodation for the Research Department of All India Radio.

(d) The Committee had no comments to offer on the basic features of All India Radio's Five-Year Development Plan.

(e) Does not arise.

FLATS FOR M.Ps.

365. Pandit D. N. Tiwary: Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to refer to the reply to Starred Question No. 910 asked on the 17th June, 1952 and state:

(a) whether some of the flats in South Avenue are still vacant and unoccupied;

(b) whether some displaced persons working on the civil side of the Western Command and some unemployed displaced persons are living with their families in huts on the site where some more flats for M.Ps. are proposed to be built;

(c) whether any arrangement has been made for their alternative accommodation; and

(d) if so, the place where it has been made?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Sardar Swaran Singh): (a) 5 'A' type and 3 'B' type flats in South Avenue are vacant.

(b) There are no huts on the site in question but there is a tented camp on it, which houses both civilian and militarised displaced personnel of Headquarters Western Command. Some of these personnel have their unemployed displaced relations residing with them.

(c) Not yet. The matter is, however, receiving attention.

(d) The question does not arise.