

(b) if so, by whom was India represented;

(c) the subjects of discussion with reference to Indian river valley projects;

(d) whether the question of control of Kosi River was also discussed there; and

(e) if so, the reaction of the conference on the said scheme?

The Minister of Finance (Shri C. D. Deshmukh): (a) The hon. Member is presumably referring to the meetings held in Washington from 7th May 1952 at the Headquarters of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development which were attended by Engineers from India and Pakistan together with the Bank Engineers.

(b) Shri A. N. Khosla, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Natural Resources and Scientific Research.

(c) The study of possible technical measures to increase the supplies of water available from the Indus System of rivers for purposes of economic development.

(d) No.

(e) Does not arise.

MUSLIM PILGRIMS IN INDIA

***1793. Shri Ganpati Ram:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a body of 58 Muslim pilgrims from Pakistan arrived at Panipat;

(b) if so, on what terms they were permitted to come to India; and

(c) whether there was any arrangement made for their journey by the Government of India and if so, in what way?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister (Shri Satish Chandra): (a) Presumably the hon. Member is referring to the party of 68 Muslim pilgrims from Pakistan which visited Panipat in June, 1952.

(b) The pilgrims were given a collective permit for entry into India via Hussainiwal; and travelled under Police escort by the Hussainiwal-Ferozepore Ludhiana-Ambala-Karnal Panipat route and back.

(c) The Punjab (India) Government arranged the police escort and made arrangements also for protection of the party during their stay at Panipat. Food was provided on payment.

POWER ALCOHOL

***1794. Shri S. V. Ramaswamy:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any sugar factory in Madras which produce power alcohol; and

(b) what would be the productive capacity of all the sugar mills in India for producing power alcohol?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Sugar mills do not produce power alcohol. It is produced in distilleries. Their total installed capacity for power alcohol amounts to about 12.7 million gallons per annum.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF FILM ENQUIRY COMMITTEE

***1795. Shri N. P. Sinha:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state the steps taken to implement the recommendations of the Film Enquiry Committee relating to 'Reforms' of the film industry?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): The recommendation of the Enquiry Committee are under active consideration of Government.

PAKISTANI RAIDS

***1796. Shri A. C. Guha:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether within the last three weeks Government had any reports of raids by armed forces of East Bengal into Indian territory;

(b) if so, (i) their number,

(ii) the places where the raids took place, and

(iii) the casualties in the raids; and

(c) whether there have been any raids into Indian territory by private individuals from East Bengal?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister (Shri Satish Chandra):

(a) Yes.

(b) (i) There were ten such incidents reported during the period from 15th May to 15th June 1952, six on the West Bengal border and four on the Assam border.

(ii) Nadia, West Dinajpur, Murshidabad, and Malda districts of West Bengal and Goalpara, Cachar and K. and J. Hills districts of Assam.