

Two representatives of the Indian Press were members of the Indian Cultural Mission to China. They went as delegates and not as press representatives.

RAMAPADA SAGARA PROJECT

*1818. **Shri B. S. Murthy**: Will the Minister of **Planning** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Ramapada Sagara Project will be included in the Five Year Plan; and

(b) the estimated cost for this project and the area to be served?

The Minister of Finance (Shri C. D. Deshmukh): (a) The matter is under examination by a technical committee and the decision must await their report.

(b) The estimated cost of the Project is Rs. 129 crores and the area to be served will be 23.96 lakhs acres.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

*1819. **Shri H. N. Mukerjee**: Will the Minister of **Planning** be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is, or is going to be appointed, a Central Committee to administer the Community Projects; and

(b) if so, the composition of the said Committee?

The Minister of Finance (Shri C. D. Deshmukh): (a) and (b). The Planning Commission has been designated as the Central Committee for the purpose of supervising the administration of the Community Projects.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES FOR A. I. R. STATIONS

*1820. **Shri Madiah Gowda**: Will the Minister of **Information and Broadcasting** be pleased to state.

(a) whether advisory committees have been formed for each of the A.I.R. Stations;

(b) what powers and functions are assigned to these committees; and

(c) how often they meet in a year?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): (a) Programme Advisory Committees have been constituted for all stations of All India Radio.

Rural Advisory Committees have been constituted at 12 Stations and are in process of being formed at 7 more Stations.

(b) The functions of the Programme Advisory Committees are to keep

the Director-General in touch with local public opinion in the matter of programme construction and to advise the Station Director on various aspects of planning and presentation of programmes.

(c) About once a quarter.

TYPEWRITERS AND CALCULATING MACHINES

*1821. **Shri M. Islamuddin**: Will the Minister of **Commerce and Industry** be pleased to state:

(a) the number and value of typewriters and calculating machines imported from America during the last three years;

(b) the number and value of Remington Typewriters imported from the United Kingdom;

(c) the amount saved by Government by purchase of Remington Typewriters from Remington Rand Inc. India as agents of Remington Rand Company of U.K.; and

(d) whether duplicators and calculating and accounting machines are being manufactured in India and if so, to what extent?

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

(a) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VIII, annexure No. 48.]

Information in respect of calculating machines is not readily available.

(b) Information about imports of particular brands or makes of typewriters is not readily available.

(c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VIII, annexure No. 49.]

(d) Only duplicators are being manufactured in India, 1560 were manufactured in 1951 and 383 up to June, 1952.

LEASING OF LAND IN FARIDABAD COLONY

*1822. **Shri Punnoose**: Will the Minister of **Rehabilitation** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are leasing out land in Faridabad Colony for industrial purposes and if so, on what conditions;

(b) how much of such land has already been leased out and the number of industrialists who have availed of it;

(c) what quantity of electricity produced at Faridabad is being consumed by the Colony; and