

Shri S. N. Das: May I know whether instructors for these training centres have already been appointed?

Shri Kidwai: Not yet. All that will be done by the State Governments.

Shri M. L. Dwivedi: May I know by what time these trainees will be in a position to give education to the rural areas actually?

Shri Kidwai: As I have said, the centres have been selected and the trainees have been chosen by the State Governments. It will depend upon the nature of work that each State wants to have from its employees.

Shri M. L. Dwivedi: Is it not a fact that five centres are already running and persons are receiving training?

Shri Kidwai: Five centres have been selected and candidates are being selected by the State Governments.

Shri S. N. Das: What is the basis on which these centres have been selected?

Shri Kidwai: The centres have been selected on the recommendation of the State Governments.

Shri K. D. Malaviya: Will the Government kindly let us know the names of some of the Indian experts who have been consulted in connection with this scheme?

Shri Kidwai: I will require notice of that question.

Shri A. C. Guha: May I know the distinguishing features of these development projects from the community projects?

Shri Kidwai: This is for development of agriculture and training will be given in intensive development of agriculture, and introduction of new methods which experience in other countries and some parts of India have proved to be successful.

Shri N. K. Naidu: Is it proposed to locate any of these five centres in Andhra, where instruction may be given in the regional language?

Shri Kidwai: The statement gives the location of the five centres.

Josab Anjad Ali: Will Government enlighten us as to the nature of the superintendence which the Centre will have over the State Governments regarding the execution of this plan?

Shri Kidwai: There will be a committee which will send its men to

each centre to see whether the training that is given is according to the plan.

NON-DEPARTMENTAL ANCHAL MASTERS

*123. **Shri Velayudhan:** Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Non-Departmental Anchal Masters of the Travancore-Cochin State were placed on the same footing as the Post Masters when the integration took place with regard to salary and allowances; and

(b) what are the salary and allowances paid to the Non-Departmental Anchal Masters who are now Branch Office Post Masters?

The Minister of Communications (Shri Jagjivan Ram): (a) No, they were placed on the same footing as extra-departmental branch postmasters, to whom they correspond.

(b) They are allowed the same emoluments as extra-departmental branch Postmasters, but have been given the option to continue on the ex-State emoluments.

Shri Velayudhan: May I know whether this order has been brought into effect and they are drawing the salary sanctioned by the order?

Shri Jagjivan Ram: Orders have been issued.

Shri Velayudhan: May I know whether the orders have been given effect to?

Shri Jagjivan Ram: That information I have not got with me.

Orders have been issued and there will be no difficulty in their drawing the salary sanctioned.

EASTERN ZONE (RAILWAYS)

*124. **Shri Velayudhan:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the regrouping of the Railways of the Eastern Zone has been carried out or not;

(b) how far the Government have met the demands put forth by various interests against the regrouping of E. L. Railways; and

(c) where the new Headquarter of the Eastern Zone is situated?

The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri): (a) Yes.