

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) No, Sir. Bamboos are available in large quantities in Madhya Pradesh.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The examination report received by the National Newsprint and Paper Mills indicated that newsprint from salai wood and bamboo was a commercial possibility.

MYSORE BROADCASTING STATION

***2073. Shri Madiah Gowda:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether the broadcasting station at Mysore is going to be transferred to Bangalore; and

(b) if so, when?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): (a) The present transmitter at Mysore will not be installed in Bangalore. A high power transmitter is proposed to be installed at Bangalore.

(b) The high power transmitter will be installed as soon as possible. It is high in the priority of the Five Year Development Plan.

MALARIA CONTROL UNDER IRRIGATION PROJECT

***2074. Shri Madiah Gowda:** Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) what amount is estimated for anti-malarial measures under each of the major Irrigation Projects which are being executed at present; and

(b) whether the amount so set apart is considered sufficient for fully controlling malaria in the irrigated area under those projects?

The Minister of Planning and Irrigation and Power (Shri Nanda): (a) and (b). The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

PLANT AND EQUIPMENT FOR D.V.C.

***2075. Shri Krishna Chandra:** Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to the following remarks in the Annual Report of Damodar Valley Corporation, Part one, on page 1.

"Orders for those (that is plant and equipment) were channelled through the Director General of Industries and Supplies, early in January, 1951, but

orders for the supplies were actually placed in June, 1951. This delay could not but adversely affect the construction schedule for the Konar Gravity Dam;

(b) what are the causes responsible for this delay in placement of the orders; and

(c) what action has been taken to ensure more promptness in such matters?

The Deputy Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri Buragohain): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The position stated in the Report is not correct. There was no delay in placing the orders on the suppliers. Four indents were received by the D.G.S. and D. on the 4th January 1951, from the Damodar Valley Corporation. As the supplies were to be arranged from sources in Germany and Switzerland, as located by the Corporation's consultants, the indents were cross-mandated to the Director General, India Stores Department, London on 6th January 1951 i.e. within 48 hours. Three indents were covered in February and March 1951 after making the necessary enquiries through the Indian Embassies in Germany and Switzerland about the financial standing etc., of the firms selected by the Corporation. As regards the fourth indent, one of the items was subsequently cancelled. The remaining items were superseded by fresh indents placed by the Corporation on 12th March 1951 and 20th March 1951. Complete specifications had to be obtained from the Consultants and the items were then covered in June 1951.

(c) Does not arise.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS IN RAJASTHAN

***2076. Shri Balwant Sinha Mehta:** Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state:

(a) when the Community Projects in Rajasthan are expected to begin; and

(b) what amount of money will be spent over them?

The Minister of Planning and Irrigation and Power (Shri Nanda): (a) By 1st October, 1952.

(b) The estimated expenditure is Rs. 151.67 lakhs for three years.

BROADCASTING STATIONS FOR RAJASTHAN AND MADHYA BHARAT

***2077. Shri Balwant Sinha Mehta:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there is no Broadcasting Station