HINDUSTAN SHIPYARD, VIZAGAPATAM

*182. Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: Will the Minister of Works, Production and Supply be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Hindustan Shipyard Ltd. at Vizagapatam is now in a position to begin building naval ships?

The Minister of Production (Shri K. C. Reddy): It will be some time before the Shipyard can have the necessary equipment and technical personnel to take up the construction of naval ships.

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: May I know whether it is necessary to make some improvements in the Scindia shipyard at Vizagapatam for the purpose of building naval ships?

Shri K. C. Reddy: At present the company has taken up the construction of only ocean-going mercantile ships. The question of construction of naval ships arises later and then we can decide on the possibility of going in for the construction of such naval ships.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

- *183. Shri B. R. Bhagat: (a) Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state whether the Schemes of Community Development Project have been finalized?
- (b) If so, when will the work on them start?
- (c) What is the number of such projects to be started in the first stage?
- (d) How have the administration and financial schemes been drawn up for these projects?

The Minister of Planning and River Valley Schemes (Shri Nanda): (a) and (b). The broad features of the programme under Community Projects are indicated at pages 27 to 36 of the publication "Community Projects—A Draft Outline". Actual schemes for operation will be drawn up after a preliminary survey of the areas which is expected to be completed by the 15th July. Work on the projects will commence early in October, in time for the rabi crop.

- (c) Fifty-five.
- (d) These are indicated in Planning Commission's letter No. TC/26/52, dated March 25, 1952, to State Governments. A copy is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 1.]

- Shri B. R. Bhagat: May I know whether any fixed time schedule for the entire project has been drawn up?
- Shri Nanda: A tentative time schedule has been drawn up.

Shri B. R. Bhagat: What will be the period in which the whole project will be completed and has any time schedule been drawn up for the different sections of the project like its starting and completion etc.?

Shri Nanda: Yes, Sir, the time schedule has been drawn up for completing the surveys, then for making the estimates, then the estimates will be approved. The work will start by the end of September or the beginning of October. One block will be taken up in the first instance, at the first stage, out of each project. This will take about six months and then the other block will be taken up and the whole project will thus be completed.

Shri B. R. Bhagat: May I know whether a Financial Adviser has been attached to the Central Committee of the Project and, if so, what will be his functions?

Shri Nanda: A Financial Adviser has been appointed; his functions are to advise the Central Administration regarding the estimates which will be submitted by the States and also in connection with the general financial administration of the project.

Shri M. L. Dwivedi: May I know if the State organisations as contemplated in the draft outline have been formed?

Shri Nanda: They are in the course of being formed.

CONFERENCE ON BOUNDARY DISPUTES

- *184. Shri B. R. Bhagat: (a) Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state whether the Indo-Pakistan Conference on boundary disputes of the two Punjabs was held?
- (b) If so, what were the decisions arrived at?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister (Shri Satish Chandra): (a) Yes. A meeting oetween the Financial Commissioners of Punjab (India) and Punjab (Pakistan) was held at Lahore from the 11th to the 13th April 1952.

(b) Certain tentative decisions were taken, but these are to be reviewed and discussed further by the 'wo Financial Commissioners before final recommendations are made by them to their respective Governments.