

Chakki river bed, 3 miles east of Pathankote and (2) as a regular bed in the series of rocks between mile-stones 39 and 40½ along the Pathankote-Dalhousie road near Dunera Rest House. Samples were collected both from the Chakki river bed as well as from the road exposures. The analyses carried out by the Geological Survey of India show that in general the limestones are suitable for lime and cement manufacture, but as some portions are likely to contain high silica, detailed prospecting will have to be done before making any plans for an industry.

The Geological Survey of India discontinued the investigation on gypsum in the area because no information on the occurrence of this mineral in the area was available.

#### N. C. C.

\*1296. **Sardar Hukam Singh:** (a) Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state whether any new units of the National Cadet Corps were raised during the year 1951-52?

(b) If so, where?

(c) Whether any N.C.Cs. have been granted regular commission in the Indian Army during this period?

**The Minister of Defence (Shri Gopalaswami):** (a) Yes.

(b) One Air Squadron in Madras. One Independent Infantry Company at Palghat (Madras). One E.M.E. Section in the Institute of Science, Bangalore. Six Junior Division Troops in Travancore-Cochin. One sub-unit of Junior Division each in Rajkumar College, Raipur and Lawrence School, Sanawar.

(c) In 1951, 18 cadets of the Senior Division were selected, of whom 17 actually joined the National Defence Academy. 14 of these who have successfully completed the course have just been granted commission.

#### SCIENTIFIC MAN POWER COMMITTEE

\*1297. **Shri S. C. Samanta:** (a) Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state how far the recommendations of the Scientific Man Power Committee have been implemented up-to-date?

(b) What led to the setting up of a Sub-Committee under the Chairmanship of Mr. G. N. Mehta?

(c) Has the Sub-Committee commenced functioning?

**The Minister of Education and Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Maulana Azad):** (a) A statement showing the action taken on the main recommendations of the Committee is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 43.]

(b) The Committee, known as the Technical Man Power Committee, has been appointed by the All India Council for Technical Education as in the opinion of the Council the conditions had changed so much since the assessment was made by the Scientific Man Power Committee previously that a review was called for.

(c) Yes.

#### IMPORT OF CAPITAL GOODS

\*1298. **Pandit Munishwar Datt Upadhyay:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the last three years, India has been receiving less capital and capital goods from foreign countries;

(b) whether production of consumer goods in India has decreased during this period; and

(c) what are the causes of decrease in production in India?

**The Minister of Finance Shri C. D. Deshmukh:** (a) During the last three years annual rate of inflow of foreign capital has increased. Import of capital goods showed a small decline in 1950 but has lately shown an improvement.

(b) In the industrial sector, except in the case of sugar and textiles, production of which declined in 1950, but improved in 1951, there has been a steady improvement in production of consumer goods during the last three years.

In the agricultural sector judging from available statistics foodgrain production was lower in 1950-51 and 1951-52, as compared to 1949-50. Production of cotton, jute and tea has, however progressively increased.

(c) Fall in production of textiles during 1950 was due partly to the labour strike in Bombay Mills and partly to shortage of raw materials. Lower sugar production during that year was also due to smaller supplies of sugarcane to the Mills. Decrease in production of food-grains in 1950-51 and 1951-52 was due to the abnormal climatic conditions.