

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: The drop in the world demand for manufactured goods, and perhaps the glut of the raw materials in the market.

Shri M. Islamuddin: May I know whether the decrease in price of jute has affected the growers, and if so, to what extent?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: It is a fact that a decrease in price does affect the producer, and we have received complaints from producers and such complaints have been voiced on the floor of this House. But I am unable to say to what extent it has affected the growers, exactly.

Shri M. Islamuddin: May I know whether the present price leaves any margin of profit to the jute growers?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: I am afraid we have made no examination of that question.

Shri A. C. Guha: Will the hon. the Minister be able to give us any idea as to how the new rates fixed by the Pakistan Government for bottom Jat jute will compare with the present price fixture, and whether it will be economical for the Indian Jute Mills to have Pakistan Jute? What has happened to Pakistan jute, has there been any reduction in duty?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: It is far too early for us to be able to say how it will affect our position.

Shri A. C. Guha: Is it true that Pakistan Government has put up something like a discriminatory rate for Indian importers as compared with the foreign importers?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: I have no information.

Shri T. K. Chaudhuri: May I know whether large-scale smuggling of jute from Pakistan is responsible for the reduction of prices in India?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: I take that information from the hon. Member.

Shri Sarangadhar Das: Are Government aware of the fact that there are large stocks of jute and have they any plan to give any Price support to those whom they induce to grow more jute?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: At the moment, Government is not contemplating any rebate for jute?

Shri M. S. Gurupadaswamy: May I know the difference between the price of jute exported from India, and the internal price of jute?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: Raw jute is not exported from India, and so there could be no comparison.

TRAINING CENTRES (COMMUNITY PROJECTS)

*1328. **Shri Madiah Gowda:** Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state:

(a) when and where the training centre for the training of executive officers of the Community Development Project will be opened; and

(b) whether any scheme of training has been drawn up and the personnel appointed?

The Minister of Planning and Irrigation and Power (Shri Nanda): (a) A four weeks orientation and training course for Project Executive Officers is being arranged at Nilokheri, from the 21st July 1952.

(b) A programme has been framed and personnel is being chosen.

Shri Madiah Gowda: May I know how the personnel who are going to give training in these centres are chosen?

Shri Nanda: The personnel is chosen mostly from the officers of the Government.

Shri Madiah Gowda: May I know whether the trainees selected will be persons in State services, or whether fresh men will be selected for this training?

Shri Nanda: Both, Sir.

Dr. P. S. Deshmukh: May I know the names of the training centres which will commence work in the month of July, apart from Nilokheri?

Shri Nanda: Nilokheri is the only centre which we have in view.

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: May I know whether any special qualifications have been laid down for choosing these officers?

Shri Nanda: Some qualifications have been laid down.

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: What are they?

Shri Nanda: In respect of the Project Officer, those qualifications have been given in the draft outline of the Community Projects Administration.

Shri Nanda: May I know whether any political considerations enter into the selection of these trainees?

Mr. Speaker: Order, order. We shall go to the next question.