

Shri Satish Chandra: No, Sir. No separate figures of the sucrose content in the development area alone is available. If the hon. Member wants the information for the whole country, I can give it. It has increased from 9.85 per cent. in 1947-48 to 10.05 per cent. in 1950-51.

Shri K. K. Basu: As you said these estimates in Madras and other States were determined by eye estimates, I want to know whether even the sucrose content was also determined by eye estimate.....

Mr. Speaker: The hon. Member has misunderstood the whole question.

Shri Sarangadhar Das: Are we to understand that these figures for sucrose given now relate to sucrose content or sucrose recovery from sugar-cane?

Shri Satish Chandra: The increase from about 9.85 to 10.05 per cent. or relates to recovery of sucrose from sugar-cane. I think that gives a fair idea of the increase in sucrose content of the cane.

SOCIO-ECONOMIC UPLIFT

*2309. **Shri Sanganna:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some grants are placed at the disposal of the non-official institutions and organisations for expenditures on socio-economic uplift of the Adibās in each State;

(b) if so, the names of such institutions or organisations and the amounts of grants placed at their disposal during the financial years 1950-51 and 1951-52 in each State; and

(c) what safeguards have been provided for proper use of the grants?

The Minister of Home Affairs and States (Dr. Katju): (a) Attention is invited to the reply given to part (b) of Shri B. S. Murthy's Starred Question No. 982 on the 18th June 1952.

(b) and (c). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Shri Sanganna: Are Government aware of the fact that these organisations and non-official institutions carried on political propaganda during the recent elections, and if so, what action has been taken against them?

Dr. Katju: I should like to have notice.

Shri R. K. Chaudhury: May I know whether any amount has been allotted

to the State of Assam for this purpose, and if so to what socio-economic institutions there?

Dr. Katju: There seems to be some misconception in the hon. Member's mind. For development purposes grants are made to State Governments, and it is for them to spend it properly and in an appropriate manner. General advice has been given that the State Governments may well utilise the services of proper and suitable non-official agencies for the expenditure of portions of such sums. I do not know the rest of the details.

Shri R. K. Chaudhury: I wanted to know what amount has been allotted to Assam.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. Minister has already stated that the information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House, when it is ready.

OPENING OF A STATION BETWEEN BARAGOPAL AND DEGHWARA

*2311. **Pandit D. N. Tiwary:** (a) Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state whether a proposal has been under consideration for the opening of a new station on the O. T. Railway (New North Eastern) between Baragopal and Deghwara Railway Stations?

(b) At what stage the proposal is now?

(c) Has any representation been received by Government for expediting the work?

(d) When is the new station likely to start functioning?

The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri): (a) and (b). Yes. The proposal to open a flag station between Baragopal and Deghwara railway stations on the North Eastern Railway has been approved, and work has started.

(c) A representation has been received from the local public to open the station early.

(d) The station is likely to start functioning towards the end of October, i.e., after the monsoon is over.

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