

## ADULTERATION OF FOODSTUFFS

\*2345-A. Shri M. Islamuddin: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state whether the views of the State Governments on the Central Bill circulated to them to control the serious menace of adulteration of foodstuff has been received; if so, to what effect?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur): Yes. The draft Bill has been generally approved by the State Governments and has been suitably modified in the light of their suggestions. It will be introduced in Parliament shortly.

## SHORT SUPPLY OF WAGONS FOR FOODGRAINS TRANSPORT IN MADRAS

\*2346. Shri C. E. Narasimhan: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state whether it is a fact that wagons are not available from main rice producing centres in Madras State for transport to deficit areas therein?

The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri): Wagons are regularly made available to the main rice producing centres in Madras State for the transport of rice to deficit areas therein. The quotas for wagon supplies are determined in consultation with the Madras Government.

## REGIONAL COMMISSIONER OF SCHEDULED CASTES AND TRIBES FOR MYSORE AND TRAVANCORE-COCHIN

\*2347. Shri N. Rachiah: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Central Government have decided to appoint a "Regional Commissioner" for the Welfare of the Scheduled Castes in Mysore and Travancore-Cochin States?

The Minister of Home Affairs and States (Dr. Katju): No.

## TELEGRAPH OFFICE FOR KOTHAPET

\*2348. Shri Mohana Rao: Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are going to open a Telegraph Office in Kothapet which is the centre of the Kothapet Taluka of Madras State (East Godavery District);

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the affirmative, when it will be opened; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, the reasons there-of?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) Yes.

(b) Probably before December, 1952.

(c) Does not arise.

## INDIAN TELEPHONE INDUSTRIES, BANGALORE

\*2349. Shri N. Rachiah: Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the amount invested so far in the Indian Telephone Industries at Bangalore;

(b) the number of telephones manufactured or assembled; and

(c) the number of persons employed by them?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur) (a) Rs. 2,22,50,400.

(b) 49884 up to 31st May 1952.

(c) 1,617.

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\*२३५०. श्री बाघमारे : क्या खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री यह बतलाने की कृपा करेंगे :

(क) भारत में उगाई जाने वाली मिन्न मिन्न प्रकार की रई के नाम क्या हैं तथा उन की क्रमशः प्रति एकड़ उपज कितनी होती है ; तथा

(ख) हैदराबाद राज्य में किस प्रकार की रई उगाई जाती है और इस की प्रति एकड़ उपज क्या है ?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister (Shri Satish Chandra):

(a) and (b). Two statements giving the available information are placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix XI, annexure No. 5].

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(क) क्या बी० एल० आर० पर लातूर से पंढरपुर तक तीर्थ यात्रा करके बने यात्रियों को गाड़ियों में अधिक सीटें