

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** Yes, Sir.

**Shri K. K. Basu:** May I know whether this Research Institute considered other research schemes or works organised by private institutions like the Bose Institute in Bengal?

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** The Indian Council of Agricultural Research considers all these schemes even from private persons and from private institutions.

**Shri Raghavala:** In drawing up these schemes, may I know the number of experts that were invited from U.S.A?

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** There are no experts so far as these schemes are concerned

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** Hon. Member must have some information, this is merely something like fishing in the same water.

**Shri K. K. Basu:** Is the Minister aware that a new type of jute and cotton seeds have been successfully experimented in the Research Station of the Bose Institute in Calcutta?

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** I would like to have notice.

**Shri B. S. Murthy:** May I know whether the scheme of the Madras Government has been referred back?

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** What is the scheme? Hon. Members ought not to be vague in these matters. They must have some reliable data, they must have some further questions or some representations. They should not just throw a question and wait for an answer and then start supplementaries on that answer. I am afraid I won't allow that question. The hon. Member did not have the courage to say he is not acquainted.

**Shri V. P. Nayar:** In the list which was laid on the Table of the House there is a scheme known as Delhi Milk Supply Scheme. May I know, Sir, what is the quantity of milk handled daily by this scheme and what percentage of the city's demand for milk is met by the Scheme?

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** The number of schemes is 151. What exactly is each scheme, what is the proportion, what is expected, these are all matters for detailed enquiry. The hon. Member may put down a question and draw the attention of the hon. Minister. Certainly, he will reply.

**Shri V. P. Nayar:** How far has the work in hand progressed?

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** I have already replied.

**Shri V. P. Nayar:** There is nothing in the statement.

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** I have already said that the schemes which are already in hand are progressing satisfactorily.

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** Does he want an administration report here in the form of the 151 schemes, at what stage it was last year, at what stage it is this year. Such questions will not be allowed on the floor of the House. Hon. Members must also expect reasonable things. If hon. Members want further details they may kindly put down another question.

#### EXPERT ON VENEREAL DISEASES (VIST)

\*1098. **Dr. Rama Rao:** (a) Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state whether an expert on venereal diseases has come to India from United States of America?

(b) If so, who is the person, what are his qualifications and previous experiences?

(c) What are the financial commitments of the Government of India towards the maintenance of this expert?

(d) Where will the expert work, for what period and what will be the nature of the work to be done?

**The Deputy Minister of Health (Shrimati Chandrasekhar):** (a) Yes.

(b) Dr. W. H. Gaub. He possesses B.S. and M.S. degrees of the Rutgers University, New Brunswick and has the following experience:—

(i) Inspector of Preventive Medicine, Vanderbilt University Medical School, from September, 1934 to July, 1940—(Honorary).

(ii) Director, Division of Laboratories, Tennessee, U.S.A.—from July, 1934 to July, 1940.

(iii) Senior Bacteriologist, U.S. Public Health Service—from May, 1942 to March, 1947.

(iv) Head of Laboratories, Washington State Health Department—from March, 1947 to July, 1949.

(v) Chief, Bacteriology and Parasitology, U.S. Public Health Service—since July, 1949.

(c) The expert has been sent by the W.H.O. and is paid by them. The Government of India have no direct financial commitment towards the

maintenance of this expert but the Government of Madras have to provide for the following amenities for this expert:—

(i) free lodging.

(ii) the cost of travel including a *per diem* allowance while travelling on official business within the country away from his duty station; and

(iii) the cost of official telephone, telegraph, postal and other means of communication.

(d) The expert will work as Specialist Bacteriologist/Serologist in the Venereal Diseases Department of the Government General Hospital, Madras, for a period of one year.

**Dr. Rama Rao:** May I know whether one Miss Mabelle Price is coming to India as a venereal disease specialist?

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** How does this arise out of the question? The hon. Member asked about an existing expert and his qualifications. They have been given. Now, he mentions another person and wants the qualifications, etc.

**Dr. Rama Rao:** May I know whether one Miss Mabelle Price, who was not a medical graduate, has come to India as a specialist for venereal diseases?

**Shrimati Chandrasekhar:** May I answer the question, Sir?

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** Yes.

**Shrimati Chandrasekhar:** The Upgrading committee of the medical institutions have recommended the upgrading of the venereal diseases department also. That was done in Madras General hospital. The W.H.O. who are interested in this particular aspect, have offered assistance to the Upgrading committee and an agreement has been entered into by the Government of India with them. Under the terms of this agreement, the W.H.O. has agreed to provide certain equipments and supplies, one fellowship for senior personnel and the following personnel; one medical consultant for a period of one year, one public health nurse, one medical social worker with experience in V. D. control. One medical social worker with experience in V.D. control has been specially sent by the United Nations Technical Assistance Administration. That is Miss Mabelle Price who was expected in Madras in November.

**Dr. Rama Rao:** May I know if this non-medical venereal diseases expert has an experience in Indian conditions or eastern conditions?

**Shrimati Chandrasekhar:** It says, social medical worker. She has experience in V.D. control. It does not mean that she should be an Indian specialist.

**Shri V. P. Nayar:** Arising out of part (b) of the question, may I ask whether the Government knows how far this American "doctor specialist" has succeeded in eradicating venereal diseases in his own State, U.S.A.?

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** Order, order. I am really surprised at this. Government to the best of their ability furnish information. Questions are put why particular diseases are not controlled or cured and so on. When particular persons are brought as experts on such meagre salary or when no salary is given, question is asked how far he has succeeded in his own country. No expert will come here. It is not in this way that questions ought to be put. Hon. Members must feel a responsibility in putting questions, even by way of innuendo. If possible such innuendoes may be avoided. That is unfortunate here.

**Shri V. P. Nayar:** Qualifications had been asked for. I wanted to know the success of this so called specialist.

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** Success or failure may be due to various causes. These are the qualifications. What is the use of further probing into this matter, I am really surprised.

**Dr. Rama Rao:** May I know if Dr. Rajam of the Madras General Hospital has been selected as V.D. specialist by the World Health Organisation?

**Shrimati Chandrasekhar:** It is not the World Health Organisation; it is the Upgrading committee that has recommended him as Director of the Venereal diseases department.

**Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha:** Is there any other State Government that has invited this expert to come and give advice, and may I know if Bihar is among them? (*Interruption*) I want to explain, Sir. It is no question for laughter. I do not know why hon. Members should laugh over it. I know definitely that a new institution for venereal diseases has been started in Patna. I do not know whether that institution is in the list of the W.H.O. There is not one good institution there except that which has been opened recently. I wanted to know whether that expert has been invited to Bihar. I do not know why hon. Members should take it so lightly. This is no question for laughter. I feel very sorry and I think the House must apologise for that.

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** Sometimes, some hon. Members unreasonably laugh. Therefore, hon. Member need not take notice of it. There is nothing in derision. Sometimes they laugh.

**Shrimati Chandrasekhar:** The Upgrading Committee recommended certain hospitals all over India for certain departments to be upgraded. I have no information about upgrading hospitals in Bihar. If the hon. Member wants information I shall give later. As regards the Venereal diseases department in Madras, it has done a lot of work and that has been recommended by the Committee. That is why the specialist comes to that institution: not for any other reason.

**Shrimati Renu Chakravarty:** May I know how many rural hospitals have been recommended for upgrading by the Upgrading Committee?

**Shrimati Chandrasekhar:** No rural hospitals; I have no information in detail; if the hon. Member gives notice, I shall furnish particulars.

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** We will proceed to the next question.

#### RICE RESEARCH INSTITUTE, CUTTACK (STUDENTS)

\*1099. **Shri Sanganna:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the number of foreign and Indian students (separately) who are receiving training at the Central Rice-Research Institute, Cuttack (Orissa);

(b) the names of countries from which the foreign students have come;

(c) what is the duration of the term of training; and

(d) who will bear the expenses of the training of these students?

**The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh):** (a) Fifteen Foreign and eight Indian students.

(b) Ceylon, Egypt, France, Indonesia, Iran, Laos, Pakistan, Philippines, Thailand and India.

(c) Three months from 15th September, 1952.

(d) A statement showing how the cost will be shared between us and the Food and Agriculture Organisation is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 37]

**Shri Sanganna:** May I know the different sections of research in this institute?

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** Breeding and hybridisation.

**Shri Sanganna:** May I know whether research in shifting cultivation, which is a problem in the Grow More Food scheme is carried on there?

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** I thought the question was essentially about training, and not so far as the Research institution is concerned.

**Shri K. G. Deshmukh:** May I know whether our Government have any voice in the selection of these candidates?

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** It is an international centre. So far as our representatives are concerned, they have been selected by us. We are having this centre on behalf of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation. It is an international affair and students are sent by various Governments. So far as the Indian students are concerned, they are chosen by our Government.

**Shri Boovaraghasamy:** What are the qualifications required to undergo such training and what are the concessions given for backward class students?

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** I am afraid this does not refer to any particular caste or religion. The trainees are selected by the Governments concerned. They choose such persons as would benefit out of the training. No specific qualifications are laid down. It has been left to the individual Governments.

**Shri M. D. Joshi:** After the training is completed, will they be given any work to carry on research in rice growing areas in India?

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** It is expected; but we cannot force any Government to do what we want.

#### TEA GARDENS IN ASSAM

\*1100. **Shri B. S. Murthy:** Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of labourers affected as a result of the closure or intending closure of Tea gardens in Assam;

(b) the steps so far taken to provide them with alternative employment; and

(c) the facilities, if any, provided by the employers and Government for the unemployed plantation labour in Assam?