

interest. It did not come to his notice earlier. Today we have got the supplementary demands; they have got to be closed by five o'clock. I would submit to the hon. Members that if they have got any other matters to suggest, to see the Prime Minister, to see what action can be taken in this matter. I do not want to spend further time of the House in suggestions and counter-suggestions. What exactly should be done and should not be done, I am not in a position to say, but I do not want to allow a debate to ensue on this question.

Shri Gadgil: I only want to make a suggestion. Many of the students have been locked out. They should have been given a couple of days more till they got accommodation. They wanted accommodation till they got money from their guardians. The lady concerned locked them out and they had to be accommodated in Lodi Road by me.

Shri K. D. Malaviya: The Principal is there to give all the help.

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: I think the matter may be left there. I shall personally enquire into it.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

RECOVERY OF ABDUCTED WOMEN

*1126. **Sardar Hukam Singh:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether any recovery of abducted women was carried on in East Punjab by the Search and Recovery Organisation during the last six months; and

(b) what is the number of Muslim women recovered during this period?

The Deputy Minister of External Affairs (Shri Anil K. Chanda): (a) From the 12th June, 1952 to the 31st October, 1952 no recovery of abducted persons was carried on in the Punjab (I). However, this work has been resumed with effect from the 1st November, 1952.

(b) The number of Muslim abducted persons recovered from the 1st November, 1952 to the 24th November, 1952 is 95.

RUBBER PLY TRANSMISSION AND CONVEYOR BELTING

*1127. **Sardar Hukam Singh:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is producing rubber ply transmission and conveyor

belting (Automobile parts) in any factory; and

(b) if not, whether any new plant is proposed to be set up for this production?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) Rubber ply transmission belting and fan belts for automobiles are produced in India. There is no indigenous production of conveyor belting.

(b) Messrs Dunlop Rubber Company (India) Ltd., Calcutta, have installed a plant for the manufacture of rubber covered conveyor belting.

USE OF INDIAN TECHNICAL PERSONNEL

*1128. **Sardar Hukam Singh:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the P.T.I. report of the speech of Shri G. L. Mehta, Indian Ambassador to the U.S.A., at a function organised by a plastic concern at Bombay as appeared in the *Hindustan Times* dated the 21st August, 1952 regarding the proper assessment and use of Indian Technical Personnel available in the Country; and

(b) whether Government propose taking any special steps to encourage the proper use of the Indian technical personnel available in the country?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government are at present compiling the National Register of Scientific and technical personnel of India and after it has been compiled the question of proper utilisation of available technical personnel will be taken up.

जॉक नदी घाटी परियोजना

*११३८. श्री जाधव: क्या लिचाई तथा विद्युत मंत्री यह बतलाने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या जॉक नदी घाटी परियोजना

(सम्य प्रदेश) का जांच, परिमाण, संश्लिष्ट (नोरिंग), वेधन (ड्रिलिंग) आदि से सम्बन्धित काम अबतक मात्र में पूरा हो चुका है, जैसा कि पिछले सत्र में मेरे प्रश्नों के उत्तर में बतलाया गया था।

(ख) क्या मध्य प्रदेश की तावा, अपर महानदी तथा बारगी नदी घाटी परियोजनाओं का भी जांच, परिमाण, संछिद्रण और वेचन से संबंधित काम पूरा हो चुका है ; तथा

(ग) क्या अब मध्य प्रदेश सरकार जोंक नदी घाटी परियोजना के व्यय का अंश बंटाने के लिये सहमत हो गयी है ?

The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Hathi): (a) No, Sir. Only drilling of a few bores in the bed of the river and survey of reservoir area remain to be done.

(b) Work in connection with the investigations (survey, boring and drilling etc.) on Tawa and Upper Mahanadi has been completed except preparation of designs, estimates and report etc. which are in progress. In case of Bargi Project, only collection of hydrological, meteorological and silt data are in progress. Other work was suspended in 1950 due to financial stringency.

(c) Final agreement has not yet been reached about the sharing of expenditure on the investigations of Madhya Pradesh Projects.

जोंक नदी घाटी परियोजना

*११३९. श्री जांगड़े : (क) क्या सिंचाई तथा विद्युत मंत्री एक ऐसा विवरण रखने की कृपा करेंगे, जिसमें अब तक जोंक नदी घाटी परियोजना पर किये गये व्यय और पूरे हुए काम के व्योरे दिये गये हों ?

(ख) जोंक नदी घाटी परियोजना के काम की प्रगति पर विचार करते हुए क्या सरकार किसी निष्कर्ष पर पहुंची है कि उक्त बांध का काम आगे चलाना है या नहीं ?

The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Hathi): (a) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix VII, annexure No. 5.]

(b) No, Sir. The exploration of foundation is still on progress.

INDIAN EMPLOYEES OF ANGLO-IRANIAN OIL COMPANY

*1147. **Shri K. C. Sodhia:** (a) Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state what

was the total number of Indian employees evacuated from Abadan and oil-fields in Iran by the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company?

(b) How many of these have secured employment in India?

(c) How many of them were recruited by Sarawak Oil Fields Ltd.?

The Deputy Minister of External Affairs (Shri Anil K. Chanda): (a) The total number who returned to India in 1951 was 785.

(b) Exact information is not available. Government understand that at present only 106 of these ex-employees of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company are unemployed.

(c) About 88.

LOAN TO 'TALMA VALLEY AGRICULTURAL CORPORATION'

*1148. **Shri Madhao Reddi:** Will the Minister of Rehabilitation be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the West Bengal Government had advanced a loan of about rupees eight lakhs to an organisation called 'Talma Valley Agricultural Corporation' to rehabilitate 318 displaced families in Jalpaiguri and that this organisation did not use the amount for rehabilitation purposes and except a small portion, this colony is now a waste land?

The Minister of Rehabilitation (Shri A. F. Jain): The scheme was not sponsored by the Government of India, who have no responsibility in the matter.

NEW FLATS IN NORTH AVENUE

*1149. **Shri Madhao Reddi:** (a) Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state whether tenders were invited for giving contract for the construction of new flats in the North Avenue, the construction of which is in progress now?

(b) What is the average cost of construction of each flat?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Sardar Swaran Singh): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Hon. Member's attention is invited to part (b) of Starred Question No. 737 which was replied to on the 26th November, 1952.

VISIT OF SOVIET DELEGATION WITH FOOD GIFTS

*1150. **Shri K. Subrahmanyam:** (a) Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state whether a delegation consisting of Soviet officials and citizens recently