

The enquiry was started in February 1951. So far, returns have been received from Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Assam, Delhi and Madras regions and are being tabulated. Returns are still due from West Bengal, Bihar, Orissa, Madhya Pradesh and Bombay regions. The delay in completion of the enquiry is due to difficulties in getting returns from industries and establishments on a voluntary basis. It is expected that the enquiry will be completed by the end of February, 1953.

(d) The information received will be tabulated in the Directorate General of Resettlement and Employment and used departmentally in modifying the seating capacity in various trades according to the needs of the areas concerned.

PORT DEVELOPMENT FUND

*346. **Shri K. C. Sodhia:** (a) Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state whether Government have come to a final decision regarding the creation of a Port Development Fund?

(b) What was the total amount, if any, spent by Government during 1949-50, 1950-51, and 1951-52 for this purpose?

(c) What is the total approximate amount likely to be raised annually by the institution of this fund?

(d) If Government have not come to a decision in this matter so far, how long are they likely to take to do it?

The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri): (a) No

(b) Nil.

(c) The proceeds will depend on the manner and rate of levy and it is too early to make an estimate

(d) The question is under consideration. It will be placed before the National Harbour Board at its forthcoming meeting.

DELHI TRANSPORT SERVICE

*347. **Shri Radha Raman:** (a) Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state what is the total strength of Delhi Transport Service buses plying in the State of Delhi and how this strength has increased year by year since its creation?

(b) What profits the company earned during each year and whether it compares favourably with the profits of the Gwallor and Northern India Transport Company Ltd. which

was previously running its buses in Delhi?

The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri): (a) The total strength of Delhi Transport Service buses plying at present in the State of Delhi is 270. A statement showing how this strength has been reached year by year since the service was taken over by Government is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 27.]

(b) A statement giving the information required is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 28]

LABOUR CONFERENCE AT NAINITAL

*348. **Shri Basappa:** Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to state:

(a) the important Resolutions recommended by the Labour Conference recently held at Nainital, to the Central Government for implementation; and

(b) what actions have been taken by Government to implement the same?

The Minister of Labour (Shri V. V. Giri): (a) Important matters relating to Industrial Relations were discussed but no resolutions, as such, were adopted. A committee was also set up for further examination of the matter in the light of the views expressed at the Conference.

(b) The meeting of the Committee referred to above has been convened at New Delhi from the 4th to 6th December, 1952.

TRUNK TELEPHONE CONNECTION FOR MYSORE

*349. **Shri Basappa:** Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the number of stations in the State of Mysore that have so far been connected by Trunk Telephone with other parts of Indian Union;

(b) whether any representations have been received for Trunk Telephone connections between Tiptur Town and Tumkur Town in Mysore State; and

(c) if so, what is the probable date of giving them Trunk Telephone connections?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) Five. Mysore, Bangalore, Kolar Gold Fields, Davangere and Chitaldrug.