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are contemplating to extend our experiment.

NATIONAL SAMPLE SURVEY

*994. Shri Keshavalengar: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the work of the National Sample Survey has commenced in the State of Mysore; and
- (b) if so, in which places of the State and since when?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Finance (Shri B. R. Bhagat): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The field work of the National Sample Survey was started in Mysore, along with other places in India, in October, 1950, and this work is being continued round after round. The work has been carried on in practically every district in the State, and on an average 40 villages are covered in the course of each round.

Shri Keshavaiengar: May I know on what basis the selection of a particular place is made?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: They have different samples and sizes and on that basis if a particular village fits in with that size and methodology, the village is selected. In Mysore State apart from the 40 samples from the Centre there were 80 samples from the State. So, practically, every average village is covered.

Shri Morarka: May I know the results of how many rounds of National Sample Survey have been published and what are the periods to which they relate?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: The results of three rounds have been published.

Dr. Suresh Chandra: May I know, in view of the unreliable statistics collected by the National Sample Survey, why Government is expanding the activities of this organisation?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: It is an insinuation which we do not accept.

Shri R. S. Diwan: The report which was published after the third round was somewhere in 1950 or 51, if I mistake not. May I know why further reports have not been published of the other rounds?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: This question has been answered time and again in this House and the information and statistics collected are so enormous that it was physically impossible for the Institute itself to publish it. They have got the machines, they have got the tabulators and they are being published.

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*११४. भी रचुनाथ सिंह : क्या प्राकृतिक संसाधन और वॅझानिक गर्वपणा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे :

- (क) क्या यह सच हैं कि उत्तर प्रदंश के आजमगढ़ जिले की सदर तहसील के कोटवा नामक गांव में नलक्प के लिये भूमि खोदते समय तीन साँ फीट नीचे तांचे का अंश पाया गया हैं , और
- (स) यदि हां, तो क्या वहां तांबे के पाये जाने के सम्बन्ध में पर्यवेद्यण कराने का सरकार का कोई विचार हैं?

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WOMEN'S SMALL SAVINGS SCHEME

*996. Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state the total amount of money invested under the Women's Small Saving Scheme since the Scheme was launched in March, 1953?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Finance (Shri B. R. Bhagat): The amount invested upto 10th February, 1955 is Rs. 1,47,17,000. Later figures are not available so far.