

Dr. P. S. Deshmukh: There were about 14 countries which have made enquiries. And it includes Ceylon, Texas, Philippines, Congo, Iran, Mexico, Brazil, Greece, Cuba, Arkansas and Manila.

Sardar Hukam Singh: Have the Government analysed the reasons why particularly these enquiries have been made from India and not from Japan directly?

Dr. P. S. Deshmukh: If I may say so, we have in some respects improved upon the Japanese method ourselves.

Sardar Hukam Singh: May I know whether there was a demand for the loan of two films prepared by our country so far as the Japanese method of cultivation was concerned, and whether that demand also has been met?

Dr. P. S. Deshmukh: We have been asked for all that we have got and in them is included a demand for films also. I am not sure if we have been able to meet all the demands.

Sardar Hukam Singh: There was a report that some student wanted to give up service and made an enquiry from India that if the special literature was supplied in full, he would resign his post and take to this paddy cultivation. May I know whether Government could meet his demand as well?

Dr. P. S. Deshmukh: I am not aware of this particular demand, but if it is brought to my notice, I will certainly encourage the student to fulfil his ambition.

Shri N. B. Chowdhury: May I know whether the countries concerned have asked for only films and information or for some Indian experts on the Japanese method of cultivation also?

Dr. P. S. Deshmukh: They have asked for detailed information as to how we created this revolution in rice production. There are some countries who made personal enquiries from me, as to whether they could

send their people in order to study the method here.

FIRE-FIGHTING EQUIPMENT IN AIR PORTS

***319. Shri Jhulan Sinha:** Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state the measure of success achieved by the latest types of fire-fighting equipments installed in the various airports, especially with regard to the lives and property saved as a result of their use?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): The latest types of equipment have been used successfully wherever employed, as shown in the statement which I lay on the Table of the Sabha. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 38.]

Shri Jhulan Sinha: May I know the number of lives and the amount of property saved due to the use of this fire-fighting equipment?

Shri Raj Bahadur: This information can be obtained from what has been given in the statement. As a matter of fact the crash fire tenders could be utilised in most cases only when fire was observed in the engine while the plane was being started. This happened in the case either of a flying Club plane or Service plane or some training aircraft.

FAMILY PLANNING

***323. Shri Heda:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Sub-Committee on Family Planning and Social Welfare of the Indian Conference of Social Work have submitted their report to Government; and

(b) if so, their main recommendations?

The Deputy Minister of Health (Shrimati Chandrasekhar): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Shri Heda: Are Government availing of such reports from social organisations like the Indian Council of Social Work who are working for