

Broadcasting Station at Bangalore

*1057. **Shri M. S. Gurupadaswamy** : Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state :

(a) when the new Broadcasting Station of the All India Radio is proposed to be opened in Bangalore; and

(b) whether the preparations for the opening of the station are complete?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar) : (a) In the first week of November, 1955.

(b) Installation work is expected to be completed by 31st October, 1955.

Unemployment in Punjab

*1058. **Shri D. C. Sharma** : Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state whether the Punjab Government has asked for any immediate aid for relieving unemployment problem in that state ?

The Deputy Minister of Planning (Shri S. N. Mishra) : No, Sir.

News Agencies

*1059. **Shri Ibrahim** : Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state the amount paid by way of subscription to the various News Agencies subscribed for by the All India Radio during 1954-55?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar) : A statement showing the requisite information is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 46].

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*1060. **Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad** : Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Naga agitators armed with deadly weapons are attacking the peaceful citizens of the North East Frontier Agency;

(b) whether any damage has been done to the properties of the people there; and

(c) the action taken by Government in the matter?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of External Affairs (Shri Sadath Ali Khan) : (a) to (c). Certain extremist and misguided elements of Nagas are indulging in violent activities in the Naga Hills District and Tuensang Frontier Division. They are small in

numbers but have guns, rifles and other arms. They are using pressure and extortion on the peaceful and loyal citizens in certain areas. Government have moved adequate Assam Rifle units to this area and the situation is well under control. Slight damage has been caused by these unruly elements to a few roads and they have also burnt some houses of loyal villages. Government have taken the following steps :—

(i) The development activities in the Division have been stepped up.

(ii) Operations have been planned from time to time to comb out the areas sheltering the hostile elements.

(iii) Touring by civil officials and patrolling by Assam Rifles have been intensified in all the areas.

(iv) The system of village defence is being improved and people are being trained to offer resistance to terrorist gangs.

Cars

*1061. **Dr. Ram Subhag Singh** : Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state the probable period by which the complete manufacture of cars in India will be possible?

The Minister of Industries (Shri Kanungo) : Government hope that it should be possible, with the present rate of progress and sufficient demand, to achieve 90 per cent manufacture by the end of the Second Five-Year Plan period in respect of at least some of the approved makes of vehicles.

Subletting of Government Accommodation

*1062. **Shri Gidwani** : Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of Government employees have been given permission to sublet their houses; and

(b) if so, the reasons for giving such a permission?

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

(b) In view of the overall shortage of residential accommodation, subletting is allowed, with a view to derive the maximum utilisation of all accommodation surplus to the actual needs of individual allottees.