

- (9) The Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.
- (10) The Secretary to Government, Agriculture and Forests Department.

(c) Preliminary survey of the project areas is in progress and this is expected to be completed by 15th July 1952. Actual work on the project areas will commence early in October, 1952 in time for the rabi season. The work on Community Projects, as at present envisaged, is a three year programme beginning this year with a view to completion within three years.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS IN DRY AREAS

*1093. **Shri Chinaria:** Will the Minister of Planning and River Valley Schemes be pleased to state how many of the Community Projects have been located in unirrigated areas, having low average annual rainfall?

The Minister of Finance (Shri C. D. Deshmukh): None of the areas selected for the Community Projects is completely unirrigated. The following areas have an average annual rainfall of 20" or less, but are reported to have existing irrigation facilities or possibilities of development of irrigation:—

- (1) Belgaum District (Hukkeri-Gokak Tehsils) in Bombay State.
- (2) Sonpat in Punjab State.
- (3) Nakhatrana-Bhuj Tehsils in Kutch State.
- (4) Bikaner in Rajasthan State.
- (5) Jodhpur in Rajasthan State.

स्वास्थ्य श्रमिकों के लिये निवासगृह

*१०९४. डा० सत्यबाबो : अन्न मंत्री यह बतलाने की कृपा करेंगे कि क्या यह सच है कि, त्रि-पक्षीय सम्मेलन ने औद्योगिक श्रमिकों के लिये निवासगृह बनाने के प्रश्न पर विचार करते समय स्वास्थ्य-श्रमिकों के ऐसे निवासगृह बनाने के बारे में भी एक निर्णय किया था ?

(ख) यदि सच है तो कितनी नगर-पालिकाओं ने इस निर्णय को कार्यान्वित किया है ?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Sardar Swaran Singh): (a) and (b). I would invite the attention of the hon. Member to the reply given by me to his starred question No. 928 on the 17th June 1952.

SURPLUS STORES

220. Sardar Hukam Singh: Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

- (a) the value of surpluses awaiting disposals on 31st March, 1952;
- (b) the book value of surplus stores utilised by Government Departments during the year;
- (c) the book value of the surplus stores sold to educational and research institutions during 1951-52; and
- (d) the amount realized from sale of stores mentioned in part (c) above?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Sardar Swaran Singh):

- (a) Rs. 28½ crores (Book Value).
- (b) Rs. 6.32 crores during 1951-52.
- (c) Rs. 93 lakhs.
- (d) Rs. 8 lakhs.

COARSE AND MEDIUM CLOTH (PRICES)

221. Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state whether the reduced prices of coarse and medium cloth were intended to be in force only for the month of May 1952?

The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Karmarkar): Yes. The prices have again been revised from the 1st June, 1952.

RADCLIFFE AWARD

222. Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: (a) Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Deputy Commissioners of Amritsar and Lahore recently held several meetings to demarcate the boundary between these two districts in accordance with the terms of the Radcliffe Award?

(b) If so, with what result?

The Prime Minister (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): (a) Yes.

(b) Negotiations are still going on.

आयातों का मूल्य

२२३. सेठ गोविन्द बास : क्या वाणिज्य तथा उद्योग मंत्री यह बतलाने की कृपा करेंगे कि १९५१-५२ में आयात किंसे गये कुल माल का मूल्य और विशेषतः निम्नांकित कोटि के मालों का मूल्य क्या है :

- (क) खाद्यान्न;
 (ख) बड़ी-बड़ी मशीनें;
 (ग) रेलवे-एजिन;
 (घ) सूत और वस्त्र;
 (ङ) ऊन और ऊनी सामान;
 (च) मोटर के पुरखे;
 (छ) साइकिलों के हिस्से और पुरखे;
 (ज) बिजली का सामान;
 (झ) दवाएं और इन्कटरी सामान; और
 (ञ) रेडियो ?

The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Karmarkar): The total value of goods imported during the year 1951-52 is Rs. 965 crores. Value of imports of goods in question is as follows:—

	Value in crores of Rs.
(a)	254.44
(b)	94.57
(c)	3.56
(d)	31.63
(e)	3.44
(f)	14.71
(g)	1.44
(h)	10.36
(i)	16.21
(j)	0.53

RATE OF COMPENSATION AT HIRAKUD DAM PROJECT

224. Dr. Nataraj Pandey: Will the Minister of Planning and River Valley Schemes be pleased to state:

(a) the average rate at which compensation is being paid to the people affected by the Hirakud Dam Project for (i) a mango (ii) Mahua (iii) Orange (iv) tamarind tree and one acre land of (v) Bahal (vi) Berna (vii) Mal and (viii) at variety;

(b) whether the above rate of compensation of land is fixed on the principle of paying only 50 per cent. above the 1939 market value; and

(c) whether the index of prices in Sambalpur and Crissa is more than five hundred if the price of basic year 1939 be taken?

The Minister of Finance (Shri C. D. Deshmukh): (a) to (c). The infor-

mation is being collected from the Government of Orissa and will be placed on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

FOREIGN EMPLOYEES IN INDIAN EMBASSIES

225. Prof. Agarwal: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) how many foreign employees nationality-wise, are still working in our Embassies abroad;

(b) whether there is any scheme of replacing them gradually by Indian officers; and

(c) how many Indian employees in our Embassies have a working knowledge of Hindi?

The Prime Minister (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): (a) and (c). Information is being collected and a statement will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as the details are available.

(b) There are general orders that as far as possible recruitment should be restricted to Indians. In accordance with these orders and as part of the basic principles on which the Indian Foreign Service has been formed, non-Indians are being retained or employed in our Missions and posts abroad, in subordinate capacities, only where administrative and financial considerations render it absolutely necessary. The Indian Foreign Service itself is manned entirely by Indians.

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226. Prof. Agarwal: Will the Minister of Planning and River Valley Schemes be pleased to state the decision of the recent Inter-State Conference on the Damodar Valley Corporation?

The Minister of Finance (Shri C. D. Deshmukh): The conference approved of the estimates of the Maithon Project. It was decided that the height of the Maithon Dam shall be at R.L. 500. As regards Panchet Hill Dam, the Damodar Valley Corporation were asked to prepare a detailed estimate within two months and obtain the approval of the participating Governments. The Corporation were also asked to keep the participating Governments informed of any increase in the cost of estimates from time to time and to send a monthly statement showing the cost accounts to the technical representatives of the participating Governments.