

Seminar on Housing Problems

49. { Shri Hem Raj:
Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:

Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) the main conclusions arrived at the recent seminar held on the Housing problems in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that the scheme of Model Village and Village Housing Schemes enunciated by the Centre has been followed up by the States; and

(c) if the reply be in the affirmative, the steps Government propose to take to expedite it?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna):

(a) A statement containing the recommendations of the Seminar on Village Housing held at Mysore in July, 1962, is laid on the Table. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 6].

(b) Yes; the Village Housing Projects Scheme of this Ministry is being implemented by all the States except Assam, Gujarat and Jammu and Kashmir, where it has been held up as some preliminaries have yet to be completed by the State Governments concerned. These States have been requested to complete the preliminaries and commence the implementation of the Scheme as soon as possible.

(c) The recommendations of the Seminar represent some of the steps considered necessary to accelerate the implementation of the Scheme.

Utilisation of Vacant Sites in Bungalows in New Delhi

50. { Shri Hem Raj:
Maharajkumar Vijaya
Ananda:
Shri Ram Ratan Gupta:

Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have considered the proposal to utilise the vacant sites in Bungalows in New Delhi for construction purposes so as to relieve housing problem;

(b) if so, the main features thereof; and

(c) how much land will be available for this purpose in New Delhi?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna):

(a) to (c). A proposal to utilise portions of large compounds of bungalows for the construction of more houses is under consideration. The details are being worked out.

Spinning Mill at Kumarghat, Tripura

51. Shri Dasaratha Deb: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme has been drawn up to set up a spinning Mill at Kumarghat, Tripura;

(b) if so, what would be its capacity;

(c) the estimated expenditure to be incurred to start the Mill; and

(d) when the work is likely to start?

The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) and (b). Tripura Administration has received a scheme from an entrepreneur for the establishment of a textile mill at Kumarghat with a capacity of 25,000 spindles and 300 looms. Tripura Administration will be shortly forwarding the scheme for the grant of licence under the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act.

(c) The scheme involves a capital expenditure of about Rs. 1,62,93,500 and a Working Capital of about Rs. 36,00,000.