

Inauguration of Neyveli Lignite Project

2511. **Shri Anjanappa:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a party of Accredited Press Correspondents was taken to cover the inaugural function of the Neyveli Lignite Project; and

(b) how many correspondents were invited to attend the function and how many actually went to cover the function and were actually present at the time of inauguration?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (Shri Sham Nath): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Invitations were extended to 30 correspondents of whom 17 accepted. Eleven joined the party and all of them were present at the inauguration.

Slum Clearance Schemes

2512. **Shri Balkrishna Wasnik:** Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been approached for any slum clearance schemes in Nagpur and Vidarbha;

(b) if so, what are those schemes;

(c) what aid Government are contemplating to give to the said schemes; and

(d) when these schemes are likely to be completed?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna): (a) Not since 1958.

(b) to (d). A statement showing the particulars of the projects so far sanctioned under the Slum Clearance Scheme in Nagpur, is laid on the Table of the House. No project under the Scheme for any other city or town in the Vidarbha region has been received.

STATEMENT

Sl. No.	Name of Projects	Date of sanction	Number of Dwelling Units sanctioned		Approved Cost	Central Assistance sanctioned		Likely date of completion of projects.
			Plots	Tenements		Loan	Grant	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1.	Nagpur Municipal Corporation's Project.	6-5-58	828	1,002	47.42	23.71	11.86	31-3-63
2.	Nagpur Improvement Trust's Project.	27-5-58	400	—	5.00	2.50	1.25	Already completed in March, 1961.
TOTAL :			1,228	1,002	52.42	26.21	13.11	

A.I.R. Building at Nagpur

2513. **Shri Balkrishna Wasnik:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the proposal to construct an A.I.R. building at Nagpur has been dropped and the present building, which houses A.I.R. studios and office has been purchased;

(b) if so, what is the reason for dropping the idea of construction of the building; and

(c) the amount for which the said building has been purchased?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (Shri Sham Nath): (a) Proposal to acquire a new site for construction of studio building has been dropped. The existing site and building have been purchased and additional building construction is envisaged within its compound.