

approximate value of contracts awarded are given below:

	Total value of Contracts. (In lakhs)
Messrs. Hindustan Construction Co. Ltd., Bombay	Rs. 139.18
Messrs. Bildrite Con- struction Co Calcutta	Rs. 68.70

The percentage of work done through outside contractors is therefore not appreciable.

As regards projects entrusted to PWDs, complete information is not readily available.

Air-Conditioning Plant at Trombay

8095. Shri Samar Guha: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the main consideration which necessitated the construction of an Air-Conditioning Plant at Trombay under the Atomic Energy Commission; and

(b) the reasons for the Nuclear Industrial Complex at Hyderabad undertaking the scheme to construct laundries by themselves?

The Prime Minister and Minister of Atomic Energy (Shrimati Indira Gandhi): (a) The plant is meant to provide air-conditioning in areas where it is a matter of functional necessity to do so.

(b) Laundering of work-clothes is intended as an essential measure of public safety against the spread of radioactivity. The nuclear fuel complex in Hyderabad will deal with radioactive materials and hence the work-clothes are liable to radioactive contamination. As such, the laundering of such clothes which require decontamination has to be done at the premises.

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8096. श्री राम चन्द्र बीरप्पा : क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि 1960 से 1966 तक की अवधि में स्थल सेना, वायु सेना तथा नौ सेना में अनुसूचित जातियों तथा अनुसूचित आदिम जातियों के वित्तने अधिकारियों को प्रतिरक्षा प्रशिक्षण संस्थानों में प्रशिक्षण पाठ्यक्रमों के लिये भेजा गया और उनके पदनाम क्या थे ?

प्रतिरक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य-मंत्री (श्री ब० रा० भगत) : सूचना महोदय प्रत्यक्ष नहीं है, और यथा समय सभा के पटलपर रख दी जाएगी।

Church in Katcha Dive, Rameswaram

8097. Shri Kiruttinan: Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a church built up by Indian Fishermen in the Katcha Dive near Rameswaram;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the people from Ceylon and Government officials and Navy forces of the Ceylon Government are freely allowed to enter into the Island, and take away all the income of the church to Ceylon; and

(c) if so, the action taken by Government in this regard?

The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) There is a church at Kachcha Thivu island.

(b) Government have no information that this church has any income. It is understood that religious ceremonies are held in the church once a year, which are attended by Indians and Ceylonese.

(c) Does not arise.