

procure upto 50 per cent. of oilcakes produced by any mill at prices to be fixed by them;

(d) the rates at which the State Governments are procuring oilcakes and the use to which oilcake is being put;

(e) whether it is a fact that oilcakes are being sold in the market at much higher prices than are given to the mills by the State Government; and

(f) whether it has been brought to Government's notice that the use of oilcakes as fertilizers is wasteful considering the alternative use to which it can be put and the prices that can be obtained for the same?

The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh): (a) to (c). Yes.

(d) A statement giving the available information is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix IX, annexure No. 32.]

(e) Yes.

(f) Edible Oilcakes are good cattle-feed, and there is shortage of such feed in the country. State Governments have, therefore, been advised to use as manure substitutes like bloodmeal, fishmanure, meatmeal, sludge, etc., and leave edible oilcakes for cattle-feed as far as practicable.

पंजाब के लिए डाक और तार मंत्रणा समिति

१०९१, डा० सत्यवादी : क्या संवरण मंत्री यह बतलाने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या पंजाब में डाक और तार मंत्रणा समिति नियुक्त की गई है ;

(ख) यदि हां तो उस समिति के सदस्य कौन हैं ;

(ग) क्या इस समिति में अनुसूचित जातियों का कोई प्रतिनिधि है ;

(घ) यदि हां तो अनुसूचित जाति के सदस्यों का नाम क्या है ; और

(ङ) किस आधार पर इस समिति के सदस्यों का नाम-निर्देशन किया गया है ?

The Minister of Communications (Shri Jagjivan Ram): (a) Yes.

(b) I lay on the Table of the House a statement showing the composition of the Committee.

(c) No. Representation on the Committee is not given on communal basis.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) The members are nominated to represent various interests as indicated in the statement referred to in the reply to part (b).

STATEMENT

Chairman: Postmaster-General, Ambala.

Members:

Nominees of Punjab Government

(1) Shri Mangat Raj, Secretary, Local Self Government, Punjab (Official).

(2) Thakur Balwant Singh, M.L.A. (Non-official).

Nominee of PEPSU Government

(3) Sardar Balwant Singh, Dy. Secretary (Home), PEPSU, Patiala.

Nominees of Jammu and Kashmir Government

(4) Shri D. N. Jinsi, Superintendent, Telegraph and Telephone, Srinagar.

Nominee of States Ministry for Himachal Pradesh and Bilaspur

(5) Shri Mahesh Chandra, General Secretary, Himachal Pradesh Government.

Member of Parliament

(6) Shri Amarnath Vidyalankar, M.P. 135, North Avenue, New Delhi.

Representatives of Trade and Commerce

(7) Seth Radhakrishna, Secretary, Punjab Textile Manufacturers Association, Amritsar.

(8) Shri J. D. Gupta of the Punjab Registered (Iron and Steel) Stock Holders' Association Ltd., Treasury Road, Ambala City.

MONEY ORDERS AND INSURED LETTERS LOST

1092. Shri Ganpati Ram: Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of money orders and insured letters lost in 1952-53 and total amount involved therein;

(b) how many of them were recovered and the amount handed over to the payees or remitters;

(c) the number of lost money orders and insured letters on which inquiry is pending; and