

amount of grant or contribution given by the Central Government to the New Delhi Municipal Committee during 1952-53?

(b) What are the special unremunerative services for which these contributions were made?

(c) What is the total assessment on Government buildings made by the Municipality during the year?

(d) What is the total amount of taxes paid by Government to the Municipality?

**The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Sardar Swaran Singh):** (a) No grant or contribution other than that for special unremunerative services connected with Government development works, was made by the Central Government, to the New Delhi Municipal Committee, during 1952-53. The total amount contributed on account of such Government development works during 1952-53 was Rs. 46.5 Lacs (in round figures).

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix V, annexure No. 34.]

(c) Rs. 20.3 lacs.

(d) Rs. 17.8 lacs.

**GRANT-IN-AID TO KHADI INSTITUTIONS OR PRODUCTION CENTRES**

**557. Pandit Lingaraj Misra:** (a) Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state which are the Khadi Institutions or Production Centres of the different States that have been given grants, loans or subsidies?

(b) What are the amounts given to them?

**The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari):** (a) and (b). A statement is laid on

the Table of the House. [See Appendix V, annexure No. 35.]

**CHILDREN'S PROGRAMME ON A.I.R.**

**558. Prof. D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state the efforts that are being made to increase the popularity and utility of children's programme on All India Radio?

**The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar):** The following varieties of items have been introduced to increase the popularity and utility of children's programmes on A.I.R.

*Popularity.*

(i) Quiz and Radio magazine programmes,

(ii) Poetry, essay and short story competitions,

(iii) Audience in the Studio at the time of the broadcast,

(iv) Holding of children's festivals,

(v) Formation of Children's Leagues or Clubs.

*Utility.*

(i) Combination of entertainment with education and information,

(ii) Frequent broadcast of historical plays and features, biographical sketches and travelogues,

(iii) Interviews with eminent personalities,

(iv) Interesting discussions on animal life and scientific subjects,

(v) Hobbies for children,

(vi) Sports,

(vii) Music lessons,

(viii) Outside broadcasts on visit to a factory, institution etc.