

TUBE-WELLS IN ANDHRA

*228. **Shri Gadilingana Gowd:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Andhra have selected the places for boring exploratory tube-wells allotted to the Andhra State;

(b) if so the names of those localities; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri M. V. Krishnappa):

(a) and (c). It is proposed to have about 25 exploratory tubewells in Andhra under the All India Exploration programme for 350 wells. Areas and sites for these wells will be finally selected by a Site Selection Committee consisting of representatives of the Technical Cooperation Mission, Geological Survey of India and the Ministry of Food & Agriculture in consultation with the Chief Engineer of Andhra. The Committee will be visiting Andhra in course of time.

(b) Does not arise.

Shri Nanadas: May I know by what time the Committee is expected to select the localities for these tube-wells?

Shri M. V. Krishnappa: Very soon they will be going to Andhra.

Shri B. S. Murthy: May I know how these tube-wells are distributed? Are they distributed on the basis of the requirements of the area, or on the basis of population?

Shri M. V. Krishnappa: They are distributed according to the availability of water-supply. The Committee will go there, they will have an hydrological and geological survey of Andhra carried out, and on that basis, in consultation with the Chief Engineer of Andhra, they will fix the places.

Shri C. R. Chowdary: May I know whether the Committee has been formed?

Shri M. V. Krishnappa: I have already given the names of the members of the Committee.—one representative from the Technical Cooperation Mission, one representative from the Geological Survey of India and one member from our Ministry.

Shrimati Renu Chakravartty: May I know if the Tube-well Exploratory Committee is only for Andhra, or is there any central committee which also goes into the priorities etc., of other Provinces?

Shri M. V. Krishnappa: I think the hon. Member knows that there is a project called the 'Exploratory Tube-well Project' according to which we have decided to dig in all 350 wells all over India, out of which 25 wells have been allotted to Andhra. This Committee is to go round all over India and very soon they will be going to Andhra.

Shri Gadilingana Gowd: Is it a fact that the Andhra State has declined to implement the scheme?

Shri M. V. Krishnappa: No. In fact they are very eager to invite these people and have these 25 wells dug there.

KUMBHA MELA

*229. **Th. Lakshman Singh Charak:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of ticketless travelling detected at the Railway stations or in the compartments during the Kumbha Mela at Allahabad; and

(b) the total expenditure incurred on construction of extra railway lines, stations, waiting halls etc. for the Mela traffic?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) According to reports received so far the number of cases of ticketless

travel which were detected up to about the 1st week of February, 54 is nearly 36,000.

(b) The actual expenditure incurred is not known as returns have not yet been received, but a total expenditure of about 45 lakhs of rupees has been provided for in the Revised Estimate for works for Kumbh Mela.

Th. Lakshman Singh Charak: May I know how many ticketless travellers were convicted and what amount, if any, was realised by way of fines?

Shri Shahnawaz Khan: We have not got full details yet.

Th. Lakshman Singh Charak: May I know what were the permanent constructions as mentioned in part (b) of the question?

Shri Shahnawaz Khan: The Kumbh Mela is supposed to last till the 15th March. It is not over yet. When the Mela is over, we will get full details.

Th. Lakshman Singh Charak: The question is only regarding permanent constructions that have been put up so far. It has got nothing to do with the ending of the Kumbh Mela.

The Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri L. B. Shastri): The permanent constructions are: some platforms have been raised and improved, sheds have been put up in several platforms, circulating areas have been made and there are certain other constructions, which will be maintained for other Kumbh Melas in the coming years.

“अपने खरीदारों को जानो” सप्ताह

*२३०. श्री रघुनाथ सिंह : क्या संचरण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) “अपने खरीदारों को जानो” सप्ताह में कितने नागरिकों ने नई दिल्ली, कलकत्ता, मद्रास तथा बम्बई के “जनरल

पोस्ट आफिस” में जा कर डाक व तार विभाग के कार्यों को देखा; तथा

(ख) कितने दर्शकों ने लिखित में सुझाव दिये या शिकायतें कीं ?

The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) New Delhi Post Office, No account was kept. Calcutta G.P.O. 500. Madras G.P.O. 266, and Bombay G.P.O. 394.

(b) New Delhi P.O. Nil, Calcutta G.P.O. 4 (Oral), Madras G.P.O. Nil, Bombay G.P.O. 5 (Oral) 4 (Written)

श्री रघुनाथ सिंह : इस सप्ताह के मनाने का असर क्या हुआ ?

संचरण मंत्री (श्री जगजीवन राम) : असर तो आप को ज्यादा मालूम होगा ।

Shri Raj Bahadur: The figures given here pertain to those who visited certain important post offices specified in the statement. They do not give the total number of people who visited the telephone exchanges, or telegraph offices. The results achieved were really very good because it brought the people whom the department serves and the departmental officials together and enabled them to know each other's difficulties.

श्री रघुनाथ सिंह : आप ने इस का इतना तो प्रचार किया फिर भी, मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि इतने थोड़े लोग क्यों आये ।

Mr. Speaker: I do not think we need enter into any arguments on that.

श्री राज बहादुर : बहुत काफी लोग गये थे । और आप ने तो सिर्फ दो, तीन डाक-खानों के फिगर्स मांगे थे, वह दिये गये ।

MALARIA

*231. **Shri L. Jageswar Singh:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) the measures that the Government of India have taken so far to