

which have been given financial assistance (subsidy and loan) by Government during April to September, 1954;

(b) whether there has been a short fall in the amount of financial assistance given as compared to previous years; and

(c) if so, the reason therefor?

**The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari):**

(a) The names of Institutions which have been given assistance during April to September, 1954 are:

1. Maharashtra Seva Sangh, Poona.
2. Saurashtra State Board, Rajkot.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

#### ACCOMMODATION FOR AMBASSADORS AEROD

**469. Shri Ibrahim:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Ambassadors and Envoys etc. deputed in foreign countries are provided the same scale of accommodation as officers of equal status are provided in India;

(b) whether the Ambassadors and Envoys etc. occupy the accommodation provided to them immediately; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs and Defence (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru):** (a) No. The scales of accommodation in foreign countries are not equated to the scales of accommodation in India. The accommodation is provided after taking into account various factors such as the importance of the Mission, the grade and status of the Ambassador, Envoy etc. and the representational duties required to be performed etc.

(b) and (c). Where accommodation is available our Ambassadors and Envoys etc. are required to occupy it straightaway unless there are special reasons such as the accommodation not being in a fit condition for immediate occupation. Where accommodation is not available, the Ambassadors and Envoys etc. are temporarily put

up in hotels and are required to move into accommodation as soon as it can be found.

#### DOCUMENTARIES

**470. Sardar Hukam Singh:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government received many films (documentaries and others) from International Organisations like U.N.O., U.N.E.S.C.O., F.A.O. W.H.O. and from U.S.A. Under Point Four Programme, T.C.A. and others during the past four years;

(b) if so, their number and the total length of the films;

(c) whether any conditions were attached to these presents;

(d) whether any rental was collected for them from exhibitions; and

(e) if so, the total amount collected per film?

**The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar):** (a) to (e). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

#### EROSION IN ASSAM

**471. Shri Amjad Ali:** Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons affected by erosion in the State of Assam; and

(b) the area eroded?

**The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Hathi):** (a) 52,860 persons.

(b) 56,491 acres.

#### COAL

**472. Shri T. K. Chaudhuri:** Will the Minister of Production be pleased to state:

(a) the present estimated stock of coal accumulated at pit-heads;

(b) whether Government are aware of the danger of spontaneous combustion to which these accumulated stocks are liable;

(c) whether there is any system of reporting about these cases of