

DIPLOMATIC ENCLAVE

25. **Shri Tushar Chatterjee:** Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) whether any bungalow has been constructed for a Minister in the Diplomatic Enclave; and

(b) if so, the cost of constructing the bungalow and who is in occupation of the bungalow at present?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Sardar Swaran Singh): (a) and (b). Four bungalows were constructed by the Government during 1951-52 in the Diplomatic Enclave with a view to encourage building activity by Foreign Missions and others in that area. The cost of these 4 bungalows was about 4.6 lakhs. Two of these have been leased to the Japanese Embassy and two to the Ford Foundation. While none of these bungalows was specifically constructed for immediate allotment to a Minister, it was expected that one of them might appropriately be used eventually as a residence for a Minister, when necessary.

CONTOUR BUND

26. **Shri R. S. Diwan:** Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent on contour bunding upto the 31st October, 1954. in each district out of the grant of Rs. 36 lakhs given to Hyderabad State especially for contour bunding in the dry farming area of the State; and

(b) the average cost of bunding per acre?

The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Hathi): (a) Expenditure booked is as follows:

Gulburg	Rs. 50,000
Osmanabad	Rs. 1,20,000
Raichur	Rs. 6,000

(b) Maximum allowed Rs. 45 per acre.

भारत की फ्रांसीसी बस्तियों का क्षेत्रफल

१३. श्री डायर : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने

की कृपा करेंगे कि उन भारतीय फ्रांसीसी बस्तियों का कुल क्षेत्रफल कितना है, जो अब भारत में विलीन हो गई हैं ?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs and Defence (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): The total area of the French Settlements of Pondicherry, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam of which the *de facto* administration was transferred to India on the 1st November 1954 is 193.03 square miles. The area of Chandernagore which merged with India on the 9th June 1952 is 3.73 square miles.

BROADCAST IN TAMIL

28. **Shri Veeraswamy:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) the number of talks on the growth of Tamil and Tamil literature broadcast from the Trichinopoly Station of All India Radio during the months from April to October, 1954; and

(b) how many programmes have been broadcast during the same period on Tamil Culture and Art such as drama, folk songs and folk dance?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): (a) 50 talks and 4 discussions were broadcast from the Tiruchirappally Station of All India Radio during the months from April to October, 1954, on the growth of Tamil and Tamil literature.

(b) During the same period, 95 programmes were broadcast on Tamil Culture and Art such as Drama, folk songs and folk dance. These exclude interludes in Educational Broadcasts on Tuesdays and Thursdays and in Women's and Children's programmes occasionally.

RADIO MONTH

29. **Shri Veeraswamy:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether dramas were staged in the Trichinopoly and Madras Stations