

उत्पादन मंत्री (श्री को. सी. रेड्डी)

(क) तथा (ख). सम्भवतः सदस्य का आशय श्री जो क्यूरियन से है। वह एक नया नमूना बनाने की कोशिश कर रहे हैं। इस समय निश्चित रूप से यह कहना कठिन है कि इस बल्ले को कुटीर उद्योग के रूप में आर्थिक दृष्टि से कहां तक काम में लाया जा सकता है।

Steel Plant

8. { **Shri Bogawat:**
Shri Barman:
Shri Jhulan Sinha:
Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of Iron and Steel be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the negotiations with British firms about a third Steel Plant at Durgapur have concluded;
- (b) if not, how far the negotiations have progressed;
- (c) the capacity of the plant and the estimated cost thereof; and
- (d) Government's share in so far as capital and administration of the plant are concerned?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry and Iron and Steel (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) to (d). The first stage of discussions with the delegation from the Indian Steel Works Construction Company, which is a consortium of British steel interests, has been concluded. The delegation has returned to the United Kingdom and discussions are expected to be resumed in January 1956. The plant which will be owned entirely by the Government of India will produce about 350,000 tons of big iron for sale and about 750,000 tons of steel products.

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9. **Shri Krishnacharya Joishi:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Development works for the North East Frontier Agency to be executed during the Second Five Year Plan have been finalised;
- (b) if so, the main features of these works; and
- (c) the estimated cost of the Second Five Year Plan for that area?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): (a) They have been finalised by the NEFA administration and are now under

consideration of the Planning Commission for their final approval.

(b) The Development work covers the following fields:—

- (i) Buildings & Communications.
 - (ii) Agriculture and Animal Husbandry to achieve self-sufficiency in food.
 - (iii) Medical and Public Health to eradicate disease by the opening of hospitals and dispensaries.
 - (iv) Cottage Industries for encouraging local production of handicrafts.
 - (v) Education.
 - (vi) Community Projects and National Extension Service Programmes.
 - (vii) Forests.
 - (viii) Research in Philology culture and history of tribal peoples.
 - (ix) Publicity and provision of audio-visual aids for instructing the local people.
- (c) Rupees Ten crores and fifty thousands.

Broadcasting Stations

10. **Shri Jhulan Sinha:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state the total number of Broadcasting stations and Radio receiving sets working in the country during 1947 and 1954?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): The total number of Broadcasting stations in the territories now included in India during, 1947 and 1954 was 7 and 23 respectively. The total number of receiving sets on 31st December, 1947 and on 31st December 1954 was 2,48,274 and 9,07,196 respectively according to the B. R. Licence figures on these dates. The figures for 1947 includes all the licences issued in undivided India till the 15th August, 1947 plus the licences issued in India in the post-partition period up to 31st December, 1947.

नेपाल को सम्भावना मंडल

११. श्री भक्त बर्षन : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या नेपाल को अब तक कोई सरकारी अथवा गैर-सरकारी सम्भावना मंडल भेजा गया है ;