

RESCUE STATIONS AT COAL FIELDS

290. Ch. Reghubir Singh: Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to state:

(a) whether any decision has been taken for the establishment of Rescue Stations in the Parasia and Singarani Coal Fields; and

(b) if so, the estimated expenditure on each of them?

The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali): (a) No, the matter is still under consideration.

(b) The estimated expenditure on each rescue station will be roughly as follows:—

Capital Expenditure Rs. 1,
Recurring Expenditure Rs. 67,000.

DELHI TRANSPORT SERVICE

291. Sardar Iqbal Singh: Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state the total amount spent so far by the Delhi Transport Authority on the purchase of buses?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan): The total amount spent by the Delhi Road Transport Authority so far is Rs. 178-08 lakhs.

BIRTH AND DEATH RATE

292. Thakur Jugal Kishore Sinha: Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) why the birth rate in Punjab and death rate in Madhya Pradesh are higher than that of other States of India; and

(b) what measures have been adopted to control or reduce birth and death rates?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur): (a) No precise reasons can be assigned to the difference in the incidence of birth rates and death rates in different States. Sanitary conditions, levels of public health amenities, pro-

valence of education degree of health consciousness, available resources and the economic conditions determine to a very great extent the birth-rates and death-rates in any geographical unit. The method of collecting such statistics and the variations due to under reporting or over reporting can also affect the birth and death rates. The highest figure of registered birth rate for Punjab may be due to the fact that the registration of births is more accurately done in that State.

(b) The Government of India have initiated and encouraged Family Planning programme with a view to reducing the birth rate and are materially assisting the State Governments to reduce death-rates by providing more and better health services including improvements in environmental sanitation, nutrition large scale preventive measures and specific control programmes for malaria, filaria, leprosy, tuberculosis etc.

बेकारी

२६३. श्री एच० धार० नयानि: क्या अम मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) शहरी इलाके में राष्ट्रीय नमूना सर्वेक्षण के डायरेक्टरेट ने जो प्रारम्भिक सर्वेक्षण किया था उसके अनुसार शहरों में बेकार व्यक्तियों की संख्या कितनी है; और

(ख) देहाती क्षेत्रों में लगभग कितने बेकार व्यक्ति है?

अम उप-मंत्री (श्री आबिद अली) : (क) कलकत्ता, बम्बई, मद्रास और दिल्ली, चार बड़े बड़े शहरों को छोड़ कर अन्य २३ नगरों का, जिनकी आबादी ५०,००० से अधिक थी, राष्ट्रीय नमूना सर्वेक्षण निदेशालय द्वारा सितम्बर १९५३ में सर्वेक्षण हुआ था। इन शहरों की जन संख्या का २.६ प्रतिशत भाग बेकार व्यक्ति थे। बेकार व्यक्तियों की गिनती करते समय उन व्यक्तियों को गिना गया था जो पूछताछ की तारीख से एक महीने पहले तक बेकार रहे थे परन्तु नौकरी की तलाश करते रहे थे और यदि कहीं काम मिल गया होता तो उसे करने के लिये तैयार भी थे।

(ख) जहाँ तक देहाती इलाकों का सम्बन्ध है राष्ट्रीय नमूना सर्वेक्षण निर्देशालय द्वारा (मई से अक्टूबर १९५५ के बीच) ६ बार १,६०० गावों का सर्वेक्षण किया था। इस सर्वेक्षण में प्राप्त सामग्री की जांच पड़ताल की जा रही है।

NEW DELHI MARKET

294. Shri Radha Raman : Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have approved a plan to construct a market near the present Khan Market as proposed by New Delhi Municipal Committee ;

(b) the expenditure to be incurred on the construction of this market;

(c) whether the market will be allotted only to the refugees; and

(d) when this market is expected to be ready?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur): (a) The New Delhi Municipal Committee have sanctioned the construction of a market near the present Khan Market consisting of 50 shops on the ground floor and 25 residential flats in the first floor. The approval of the Government is not necessary.

(b) The estimated total cost of construction, including the cost of land is Rs. 4-62 lakhs.

(c) The shops are intended for allotment to those displaced traders who are at present occupying temporary Municipal Stalls on Humayun Road. The flats on the first floor will be allotted to the staff of the New Delhi Municipal Committee.

(d) By the end of April, 1956.

EMPLOYMENT EXCHANGES

295. Sardar Iqbal Singh : Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1113 on the 21st December, 1955 and state:

(a) whether the proposal to increase the number of employment exchanges in the country during the Second Five-Year Plan has been finalised; and

(b) if so, the nature thereof?

The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali): (a) Not yet.

(b) Does not arise.

AERIAL UNIT

296. Sardar Iqbal Singh: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 863, dated 21st December, 1955, and state :

(a) whether the Aerial Unit has since been established; and

(b) if so, whether it has started functioning?

The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh): (a) and (b). The aerial unit will be established as soon as aircrafts are available. Two aircrafts are being procured under the Colombo Plan and the third aircraft is being purchased through Director General of Supplies and Disposals.

बिन्ध्य प्रदेश में डाक घर

२६७ श्री आर० एस० तिवारी : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि प्रथम पंच वर्षीय योजना के अधीन बिन्ध्य प्रदेश में अब तक कितने डाक घर खोले गये हैं ?