

COMMUNITY PROJECTS AND N.E.S.
BLOCKS IN N.E.F.A.

2019. Shri Rishang Keishing : Will the Minister of **Planning** be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Community Projects and N.E.S. Blocks opened in the First Five Year Plan in the whole of N.E.F.A. ;

(b) how and from where the officers and the village level workers are obtained; and

(c) the attempts Government have made to recruit and train up the local people ?

The Deputy Minister of Planning (Shri S. N. Mishra) : (a) Community Development Block—1, National Extension Service Blocks (N.E.F.A. Type)—5.

(b) Most of the officers and Village Level Workers have been drafted from the existing Agency personnel and other Departments. Recruitment was also made from outside, especially from Assam, preference being given to the Tribals who were given requisite training.

(c) Apart from recruiting suitable local candidates for manning these blocks and arranging for their training outside N.E.F. Agency, the Agency Administration have recently decided to fill the posts of Village Level Workers entirely by local people. For this purpose, educational qualifications have been relaxed. An Extension Training Centre has also been started at Pasighat.

NATIONAL BUILDING ORGANISATION

2020. Shri Radha Raman : Will the Minister of **Works, Housing and Supply** be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Building Organisation has suggested the construction in each State of an adequate number of experimental buildings involving departure from traditional specifications and design ;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to include such building programme in its Housing Plan ; and

(c) what are the estimates of investment on such construction ?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri P. S. Naskar) : (a) The National Building Council, in their first meeting held on the 5th & 6th March, 1956, adopted a resolution recommending the construction of an adequate number of experimental buildings in each State.

(b) and (c). This will depend upon the nature and extent of departures from the use of traditional materials, designs and practices that may eventually be recommended by the National Buildings Organisation on the basis of necessary technical study and research and the extent to which State Governments build on that basis.

COAL

2021. Shri Ibrahim : Will the Minister of **Production** be pleased to state :

(a) the quantity of coal and coke produced in the months of June, and September 1955 ; and

(b) how these figures compare with those in the corresponding months of 1954 ?

The Minister of Production (Shri K. C. Reddy) : (a) and (b). Comparative figures are given below :—

	June '54 Tons	June '55 Tons	Sept. '54 Tons	Sept. '55 Tons
Coal	2,885,182	3,074,672	3,171,404	3,378,365
Hard Coke	192,083	212,122	192,326	217,844
Soft Coke	134,152	129,928	173,866	185,844

IMPORT POLICY

2022. Shri Ibrahim : Will the Minister of **Commerce and Industry** be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have liberalised their import policy recently ; and

(b) if so, the extent to which the quota for the import of items like confectionary, biscuits, jams and cakes has been raised for the period from July to December 1955 ?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry and Iron and Steel (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari) : (a) and (b). It is not possible to make a general statement of this nature since Government