

(c) whether any foreign agencies have also been engaged?.

**The Minister of Commerce and Industry and Iron and Steel (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari):** A statement is attached. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 40.]

#### BHARAT SEWAK SAMAJ

**435. Shri Hem Raj:** Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of money spent on local development programme through the agency of Bharat Sewak Samaj in the year 1955, State-wise;

(b) the number and the nature of the schemes covered by it; and

(c) the amount proposed to be spent in 1956-57 through this agency?

**The Deputy Minister of Planning (Shri S. N. Mishra):** (a) to (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 41.]

(c) The question has yet to be considered.

#### BHARAT SEWAK SAMAJ

**436. Shri H. G. Vaishnav:** Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount spent in Hyderabad State in the years 1954 and 1955 for the local development works through the Agency of Bharat Sewak Samaj; and

(b) the total number of schemes worked out in that State during these years?

**The Deputy Minister of Planning (Shri S. N. Mishra):** (a) In so far as centrally approved local works are concerned, the reply is in the negative.

(b) Does not arise.

#### INTERNATIONAL PASSPORTS

**437. { Shri R. G. Gupta :  
Sardar Iqbal Singh :**

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons who have applied for International Passports in 1955 and 1956 so far; and

(b) the number of persons who have been given passports?

**The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru):** (a) and (b). We have no information for the period during which the State Governments continued to issue passports. The position since the Regional Passport Offices under the Centre were opened, however, is as follows:—

28-10-54 (when the first Regional Office was opened) to 31-12-55.

Total number of passport applications received	45,592
Total number of passports granted	33,783
1-1-56 to 31-1-56	
Total number of passport applications received	2,703
Total number of passports granted	2,626

#### RESIDENTIAL EVACUEE PROPERTIES

**438. Dr. Satyawadi:** Will the Minister of Rehabilitation be pleased to State:

(a) the number of the residential evacuee properties sold by auction or otherwise in the State of Delhi so far; and

(b) the estimated value and the actual prices of these properties received?

**The Deputy Minister of Rehabilitation (Shri J. K. Bhonsle):** (a) The number of evacuee properties (both residential and business) which have been sold in Delhi by public auction upto 29th February, 1956 is 1,230.

(b) The estimated value of the properties is Rs. 3,10,28,155. These have been sold for Rs. 3,88,63,395.