

(b) the steps being taken to proceed with further work; and

(c) what ancillary industries are going to be developed there?

The Deputy Minister of Production (Shri Satish Chandra): (a) The pumping tests are expected to start by the end of February, 1956, and would last for a period of 100 days.

(b) Pending the results of the forthcoming pumping tests, plans are being drawn for the acquisition of land for mining purposes and the construction of a township etc.

(c) The feasibility of the production of Motor Spirit, Tar and other bye-products will be considered in due course. It is proposed to undertake the production of fertilizers and the briquetting of lignite in addition to the establishment of a thermal power station.

DOCUMENTARIES

***149. Sardar Iqbal Singh:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Indian documentaries sent to foreign countries in the year 1955; and

(b) the names of such countries?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): (a) 154 documentary films were sent to foreign countries during the year 1955.

(b) A statement giving the names of the countries to which films were sent is placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 45].

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN PEPSU

49. Shri R. K. Gupta : Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state:

(a) the number and names of the development projects for which the PEPSU Government have asked for financial assistance from the Central Government for the year 1955-56;

(b) the number and names of projects for which aid has been sanctioned;

(c) the amount sanctioned in each case; and

(d) whether the total amount thus sanctioned has been fully utilised?

The Deputy Minister of Planning (Shri S. N. Mishra): (a) to (d). The required information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha when available.

BHARAT SEWAK SAMAJ

50. Shri R. K. Gupta : Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount spent in PEPSU from 1953-55 through the agency of the Bharat Sewak Samaj;

(b) the total number of schemes received by Government from it during this period; and

(c) the total number of schemes sanctioned in these years?

The Deputy Minister of Planning (Shri S. N. Mishra): (a) to (c). The reply to each is in the negative.

IMPORT OF STEEL

51. Shri Bansal: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of steel that is proposed to be imported during the years 1956, 1957 and 1958; and

(b) the countries from where this quantity is going to be imported?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry and Iron and Steel (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) About 5 million tons during the years 1956 to 1958.

(b) Import will be arranged from whichever countries that are able to give us favourable prices and early delivery.