

Passports during the period beginning from the 1st January to the 31st December, 1955; and

(b) the total number of Muslims who migrated from India to Pakistan—West and East during the same period and in the same manner?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): (a) Persons migrating from Pakistan to India do not travel on passports and visas but on migration certificates issued by Indian Missions in Pakistan and on which no visa is required. According to the most recent information 240,400 persons migrated from East Pakistan to India in the calendar year 1955.

(b) The number of Muslims who migrated from India to Pakistan in the same period is 44,728 to West Pakistan and 29 to East Pakistan.

SALT

61. Shri Boovaraghasamy: Will the Minister of Production be pleased to state:

(a) the average quantity of salt being produced by Government Salt Factories and by the private salt factories per year; and

(b) the total number of small scale salt producers and their average production per year?

The Minister of Production (Shri K. C. Reddy): (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of Lok Sabha. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 46].

CEYLONESE CITIZENSHIP

62. { **Shri D. C. Sharma:**
Shri Krishnacharya Joshi:
Shri Sivamurthi Swami:
Shri M. S. Gurupadaswamy:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications by persons of Indian origin for Ceylonese citizenship so far finally disposed of during the year 1955-56 from October, 1955;

(b) the number of persons granted Ceylonese citizenship and the number of the applications rejected so far;

(c) the number of applications still under consideration;

(d) the number of such persons of Indian origin who were granted Indian citizenship so far, after their applications for the Ceylonese citizenship were rejected; and

(e) the number of such applications still under consideration?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): (a) 7,379 applications were finally disposed of during the period October to November 1955.

(b) and (c). From the beginning up to November 1955, 37,304 persons were registered as Ceylon citizens. 59,464 applications involving 1,91,929 persons were rejected and 1,66,870 applications were still under consideration.

(d) and (e). The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha.

GRANTS TO STATES

63. Shri Gadilingana Gowd: Will the Minister of Production be pleased to state the financial assistance given by the Central Government to Andhra State for Small Scale Industries during 1955-56?

The Minister of Commerce and Industries, and Iron and Steel (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): An aggregate amount of Rs. 17,50,423 has been sanctioned in the shape of grants and loans (Grants: Rs. 5,16,283, Loans: Rs. 12,34,140).

A.I.R.

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

(a) the number of Music Directors employed in the different stations of A.I.R.; and

(b) the method of their selection?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): (a) and (b). No Music Director is employed at any Station of All India Radio.