

of July to the end of November, 1956; and

(b) to what extent Pakistan Government gave them facilities in their movements?

**The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru):** (a) During the period from 1st July to 30th November 1956, only one pilgrim party visited West Pakistan and that was for pilgrimage to Gurdwara Sri Nankana Sahib from 16th to 19th November, 1956. 453 persons went for this pilgrimage.

(b) Pakistan authorities made transport arrangements for the pilgrim party and placed no restrictions on their movements in Nankana Sahib.

#### Atomic Separation Plants

**628. Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India would within five years build its own separation plants for atomic materials; and

(b) if so, what will be the cost involved?

**The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru):** (a) It is perfectly possible, and the matter is under consideration.

(b) The cost will depend on the size of the plant. It would be premature to give the cost.

#### Wood Work Institutes

**629. Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Consumer Industries be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to establish Wood Work Institutes in the country either under Extension Centre Schemes or under Small Industries Service Scheme;

(b) if so, how many and where; and

(c) the estimated expenditure thereon and their rated capacity?

**The Minister of Consumer Industries (Shri Kanungo):** (a) to (c). The Central Government have sanctioned three Extension Centres which have carpentry and wood working sections attached to them. Two more schemes are under consideration. A statement about the schemes sanctioned and under consideration is attached. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 108]. As these are common facility centres of a service nature, their production capacity cannot be assessed.

#### Development of Village and Khadi Industries

**630. { Shri D. C. Sharma:  
Sardar Iqbal Singh:  
Sardar Akarpuri:**

Will the Minister of Production be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of loan and subsidy given to the Government of Punjab during 1951-52 to 1955-56 for the development of khadi and village industries; and

(b) whether the amount given has been fully utilized or any amount has lapsed during any of the years referred to above?

**The Minister of Production (Shri K. C. Reddy):** (a) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 109]

(b) Only a sum of Rs. 3,00,500/- sanctioned as grant for the development of the village leather industry during 1955-56 was drawn and partially utilised by the State Government. The other sanctioned amounts lapsed with the close of the financial year but they have since been revalidated for the current year.

#### Border Incidents

**631. Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the number of incidents officially reported so far during the period from the 1st of July, month-wise on the Indo-Pakistan border of the Punjab, Kashmir and Rajasthan;

(b) the nature of the incidents; and

(c) the number of such incidents that have been amicably settled between the two Governments?

**The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru):** (a) A statement is attached giving information about the number of incidents during the period from 1st July to 31st October 1956 on the Indo-Pakistan border of the Punjab and Rajasthan and those during the period from 1st July to 31st August 1956 on the border of Jammu and Kashmir including the Cease-Fire line. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 110]. Information in regard to Jammu and Kashmir for the month of September and October 1956 has not become available as yet.

(b) and (c). Most of the incidence related to petty thefts and cattle lifting. There were a few cases of a serious nature involving murder and kidnapping of Indian nationals.