

**Training Facilities for Officers of Burma Railway Accounts Department**

1325. Shri Shivananjappa: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of India have agreed to provide facilities to the officers of the Burma Railway Accounts Department for training in Indian Railway accounts procedure; and

(b) if so, how many Burmese officers are receiving training at present in Indian railways?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) Yes.

(b) One.

**Training Abroad**

1326. Shri Sanganna: Will the Minister of Community Development be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme under which selected Project Workers are sent abroad to gain experience of the countries engaged in the field of Community Development;

(b) if so, the number of workers sent abroad so far for the purpose; and

(c) the foreign countries which are also engaged in the Community Development work as in India?

The Minister of Community Development (Shri S. K. Dey): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 11.

(c) Most of the countries have adopted extension techniques in development works. The under-developed countries have, however laid greater emphasis on Community Development work of the type undertaken in India subject to adjustment according to local conditions. Work

on this line is in progress in the following countries:

- (1) Egypt.
- (2) Gold Coast.
- (3) Indonesia.
- (4) Iran.
- (5) Iraq.
- (6) Nepal.
- (7) Pakistan.
- (8) Phillipines.

**Universities and Community Development Work.**

1327. Shri Sanganna: Will the Minister of Community Development be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Universities and other educational institutions have been requested to include a subject on Community Development in their syllabi;

(b) if so, what progress has been achieved in this direction; and

(c) whether any financial assistance is given for the purpose?

The Minister of Community Development (Shri S. K. Dey): (a) Yes.

(b) The matter will take some time to finalise as decisions have to be taken by the Universities and details will have to be worked out.

(c) The question will be considered if the Universities ask for it.

**Public Call Offices in Punjab**

1328. Shri Hem Raj: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the places in Punjab where Public Call Offices, though sanctioned during the period 1955-56 and 1956-57 have not been opened so far; and

(b) the reasons for the delay?