

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shri B. R. Bhagat): 20 cases of opium smuggling were detected on the Indo-Pakistan border during the period from July to September, 1957.

Housing of Scheduled Castes

1572. Shri Jhulan Sinha: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount sanctioned by the Central Government by way of subsidy or loan towards the housing of Scheduled Castes under the scheme for welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes etc. during the first year of the Second Five Year Plan in the country; and

(b) the result achieved in consequence of this subsidy?

The Deputy Minister of Home Affairs (Shrimati Alva): (a) A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 15]

(b) The required information has not yet been received from all the State Governments. It will be laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha as soon as available.

Civil and Criminal Cases

1573. Shri Raghunath Singh: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state how many appeals civil and criminal are pending in various High Courts of India for more than ten years?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar): A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 16]

Dismissal on Charges of Misappropriation

1574. Shri M. E. Krishna: Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Officers of the Defence Services who have

been dismissed from the services on charge of misappropriation of various funds between 1954 and 1957 so far;

(b) whether any of them have taken recourse to Courts; and

(c) how many of them have got Court decisions in their favour?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Shri Raghuramalah): (a) Twelve.

(b) None.

(c) Does not arise.

Tamil Schools in Andaman

1575. { Shri R. Narayanasamy:
Shri Elayaperumal:

Will the Minister of Education and Scientific Research be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any school for the Tamil Speaking boys in the Andaman Islands; and

(b) if not, whether Government propose to open such a School there?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): (a) No, Sir, but Tamil is being taught as subject in one primary school.

(b) There is no such proposal at present.

U.N. Technical Assistance Programme

1576. Shri Wodeyar: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of India have increased its contribution towards the U.N. Technical Assistance Programme for 1958; and

(b) if so, what is the present contribution and the increased one?

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shri B. R. Bhagat): (a) Yes.