

to Unstarred Question No. 2046 on the 20th December, 1957, and state:

(a) whether Government have finalised the schemes for adult education in rural and urban areas;

(b) if so, the nature of the scheme; and

(c) the amount contemplated to be earmarked for them?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Public Relations Week

1187. Shri Damani: Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) how many cases of Income-tax refunds etc., were settled during the Public Relations Week observed in Delhi;

(b) to which years these cases relate;

(c) the reasons for the delay in finalising them; and

(d) whether similar weeks are proposed to be organised in other parts of the country?

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shri B. R. Bhagat): (a) 1461.

(b) 1951-52	2
1952-53	1
1953-54	10
1954-55	4
1955-56	13
1956-57	212
1957-58	1219

(c) It would be seen that out of 1461 cases disposed of, only 30 cases

were more than one year old. Even in these 30 cases, the delay was mainly due to reasons beyond the control of the officers, viz:—

(i) the assesses did not furnish the full particulars asked for;

(ii) the assessment records were not available due to the transfer of cases from one Province to another.

(d) No Sir, we have Public Relations Officers at important centres and these officers are promptly looking into complaints from the public from day to day. The Commissioners in other charges have not felt the need for setting aside any special week for the work.

Helicopters

1188. Shri Ram Krishan: Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Helicopters purchased from foreign countries, country-wise during 1957-58 so far;

(b) whether there is any proposal to purchase Helicopters during 1958-59; and

(c) if so, how many?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Krishna Menon): (a) Six, from the U.S.A. only.

(b) and (c). No further orders are likely to be placed during 1958-59.

Small Savings

1189. { Shri Ram Krishan:
Shri Sanganna:
Shri Pangarkar:

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state the total amount