

Fund-Bank Annual Conference

1232. { Shri Nagi Reddy:
Shrimati Parvathi Krishnan:
Shri D. V. Rao:
Pandit D. N. Tiwary:
Shri A. M. Tariq:
Shrimati Mañda Ahmed:

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) the names of members of the Indian delegation to the annual conference in New Delhi of Fund-Bank;

(b) facilities provided to the delegates coming from other countries; and

(c) total amount spent on these conferences?

The Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai): (a) The composition of the Indian Delegation to the Fund-Bank Conference held in New Delhi is given in the list placed on the Table. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 104].

(b) In addition to the usual facilities provided to delegates attending international conferences convened by Specialised United Nations Agencies like the Fund and Bank, which enjoy certain privileges under the United Nations (Privileges and Immunities) Act 1947, facilities for free medical attendance and transport (one car to each delegation) and for visiting Agra or Jaipur were also provided; certain cultural programmes and social functions were also arranged for the delegates.

(c) It is not yet possible to indicate precisely the total expenditure incurred by the Government of India on the conference as several bills for supplies and services have yet to be received. It is, however, estimated that the expenditure is likely to be in the region of Rs. 6 lakhs.

Central Mechanical Engineering Research Institute

1233. { Shri Ram Krishan:
Shri Ajit Singh Sarhadi:
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:

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

(a) whether the scheme for establishment of a central mechanical engineering research institute at Durgapur has been finalised;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) when the institute will start functioning?

The Deputy Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Dr. M. M. Das): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 105].

(c) Investigational work is expected to be taken up in about a year's time.

Dacoities and Thefts in Delhi

1234. Shri Ram Krishan: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi police have got recently clues to a large number of dacoities: highway robberies and thefts committed in Delhi following interrogation of some men;

(b) if so, the number of persons interrogated and arrested;

(c) whether any property has been recovered from them; and

(d) if so, nature of property recovered?

The Minister of Home Affairs (Pandit G. B. Pant): (a) Yes.

(b) 10.

(c) Yes.

(d) A Car, motor parts, Emergency bags of Doctors, Watch, clothes, Typewriter and Cycles worth Rs. 46,750. In