

The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya): Sporadic occurrences of sapphire are known from the Pader area of the Khistwar tehsil, Doda district. The investigation in this respect was taken up during 1958-59 but had to be abandoned due to early snowfall. It is proposed to continue this investigation during 1959-60.

Printing of Forged Currency Notes in Delhi

4222. { Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:
Shri Radha Raman:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi Police have unearthed on the 24th April, 1959 a press printing counterfeit two-rupees notes in Delhi;

(b) if so, the nature of the material discovered from the press premises; and

(c) whether any person has been arrested in this connection?

The Minister of Home Affairs (Shri G. B. Pant): (a) to (c) on the 24th April, 1959, the Delhi Police seized some forged notes of Rs. 2 denomination and some equipment for manufacturing counterfeit notes in Delhi. Two persons have been arrested in this connection, and the matter is under further investigation.

Accommodation for Army Officers

4222-A. **Shri Ram Shankar Lal:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state the nature of accommodation provided to army officers who are transferred from front areas to family stations?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Krishna Menon): Army officers transferred from operational areas to family stations are allotted accommodation according to their entitlement. They are, however, given an ante-date of seniority equal to half the period they have spent in the operational area, provided they have served in that area for more than six

months. In the case of Delhi, this ante-date is subject to a maximum of six months.

12 hrs.

MOTIONS FOR ADJOURNMENT

WATER SHORTAGE IN DELHI

Mr. Speaker: I have received notice of two adjournment motions on the same subject by Shri P. N. Singh, Shri Yadav and Shri Braj Raj Singh. The first reads:

"Inefficiency of the Delhi Water Works Department in not supplying water at all to two lakh inhabitants of certain mohallas of Delhi and supplying inadequate water to the other lakhs of citizens on 6th May 1959 and thus increasing their hardships".

It is over now. Is it not?

Shri Braj Raj Singh (Firozabad): It was yesterday.

Mr. Speaker: Now water is being supplied.

Shri Braj Raj Singh: No, Sir, not yet.

Shri Goray (Poona): The Minister is there.

Mr. Speaker: He may be there. If the hon. Member has been taking water, why should I call upon the hon. Minister to make a statement?

Shri Braj Raj Singh: May I submit that reports are there and we have also felt certain difficulty. There has been scarcity of water and all the time the Health Minister was saying that this summer there would be no such difficulty.

Now, the view of the Corporation, which is working in conjunction with the Central Government, is that the water supplied by them is inadequate on account of the fact that the population of Delhi has increased. But the view of a certain engineer is different. He says:

"As the Wazirabad sets were quite old, they were not lifting