

(d) if so, to what extent and which are these newspapers?

The Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs (Shri Mohr Chand Khanna): (a) Yes, sir.

(b) Rs. 98,400/- for the current financial year.

(c) No, sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Willington Crescent

2454. Shrimati Ila Falchoudhuri: Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that it is proposed to beautify the road connecting the Willington Crescent with the Palam Airport, Delhi;

(b) if so, the details of the proposal; and

(c) when the work will be taken in hand?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri K. C. Reddy): (a) and (b). It is proposed to plant trees and flowering plants on either side of the route.

(c) The work has already been taken in hand.

A.I.R. Station, Ahmedabad

2455. Shri Parmar: Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state the total number of programmes released from All India Radio Ahmedabad Station during 1958-59 and the number of programmes out of them given to Scheduled Caste artists?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. B. V. Keskar): About 30 items of programmes are broadcast daily from All India Radio, Ahmedabad. It is not possible to give the number of programmes assigned to scheduled caste artists as no caste-wise or community-wise lists of All India Radio artists are maintained. Artists are booked for broadcasts depending upon their professional quality, grading given by the Audition Committees and the programme requirements of the Station.

Bottles of Hindustan Antibiotics Ltd.

2456. Shri P. K. Deo: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent by the Hindustan Antibiotics Limited every year for the purchase of bottles in order to pack their various products; and

(b) whether there is any proposal to manufacture their own bottles?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) A sum of Rs. 53,20,000, as shown below year-wise, was spent by the Hindustan Antibiotics Limited up to the 31st March, 1959 for purchase of vials used in the packing of Penicillin and Streptomycin:

Year	Total purchase price of vials
	Rs.
1954-55	18,000
1955-56	6,17,000
1956-57	12,15,000
1957-58	15,36,000
1958-59	19,34,000
	<u>53,20,000</u>

(b) No, Sir

Manufacture of Tetracycline

2457. Shri P. K. Deo: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 288 on the 11th August, 1959 and state:

(a) the cost of the project for the manufacture of tetracycline at the Hindustan Antibiotics Limited; and

(b) how far it will be able to meet the demand of the country?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) About Rs. 7 lakhs.

(b) About 25% of the present demand for this drug in the country.