Forest Development in U.P.

1479. Shri Manabendra Shah: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state the financial assistance given to U.P. in 1958-59 and 1959-60 so far for Forest Development Programme?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): Central assistance sanctioned during 1958-59 and allocation for 1959-60 for Forest Development are as under:—

(in lakhs of Rs.) (in lakhs of Rs.)

Central assistance
1958-59
Allocation for
1959-60

Loan	Grant	Loan	Grant
17.54	11.31	19.99	12.35

The figures are subject to adjustments according to the procedure laid down by the Government of India.

Subsidised Hostels for the Children of Railway Employees

1480. Shri Siddiah: Will the Minister of Rallways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 766 on the 9th December, 1958 and state:

- (a) whether the hostel for the children of the Railway employees has been started in Mysore city;
- (b) if so, how many children have been admitted so far;
- (c) the amount of grant sanctioned for the hostel for the year 1959-60;
- (d) whether there is a proposal to construct the hostel building; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) Yes.

- (b) 17.
- (c) No specific amount has been allotted to meet the expenditure of running this hostel. Actual expenditure on this account will be known only after the close of the financial year.

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(d) and (e). At present the hostel at Mysore is located in a private building rented for the purpose, and arrangements will be made to construct a new building during the Third Plan period.

Working Capital of Co-operative Societies

1481. Shri Shree Narayan Das: Shri Radha Raman:

- Will the Minister of Community Development and Co-operation be pleased to state:
- (a) what is the latest position with regard to the percentage of deposits in the working capital of Co-operative Societies in India:
- (b) whether there has been any increase in this regard since after the publication of the Rural Credit Survey Report; and
- (c) if so, the extent of such increase?

The Deputy Minister of Community Development and Co-operation (Shri B. S. Murthy): (a) According to the Statistical Statements relating to the Co-operative movement in India for the year 1957-58 published by the Reserve Bank, the percentage of deposits in the working capital of co-operative societies in India as at the close of that year was 26.2.

(b) No. The latest figures mentioned in the Rural Credit Survey Report (which was published in 1954) relate to the year 1951-52. The percentage of deposits in the working capital of co-operative societies as at the close of 1951-52 was 38°2. Even though the percentage of deposits in the working capital as at the close of 1957-58 was less than that at the end of the close of 1951-52, the amount of deposits held by societies increased from Rs. 117°06 crores at the close of 1951-52 to Rs. 182°58 crores at the close of 1957-58.