

of houses who cannot afford to engage architects and engineers to encourage building activities in the country?

The Deputy Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri Anil K. Chanda): Government of India do not have any specific plan for giving free technical advice to those who cannot afford to engage architects and engineers. However, publications containing plans, designs and specifications for low-cost housing have been brought out for the guidance of prospective builders. Similar publications have been brought out by some of the State Governments also. In addition, Rural Housing Cells set up by the State Governments, render free technical aid and guidance on the designing and construction of houses in the villages selected for development under the Village Housing Projects Scheme.

Hindustan Samachar Sahakari Samiti

574. { **Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:**
Shri Bhakt Darshan:

Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1040 on the 18th December, 1959 and state:

(a) whether Government have since considered the request of Hindustan Samachar Sahakari Samiti regarding permission to make use of the teleprinter circuits of Press Information Bureau when they are vacant; and

(b) if so, the result thereof?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): (a) and (b). It is difficult to say whether the Press Information Bureau will at all be able to spare any time on its circuits for allowing other parties to use them. Nevertheless, the question is being carefully examined.

Fertilizer Plant in West Bengal

575. { **Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:**
Shri Ajit Singh Sarhadi:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1728 on the 18th December, 1959 and state:

(a) whether Government have since considered the proposals for setting up a Fertilizer Plant in West Bengal; and

(b) if so, the result thereof?

The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Satish Chandra):

(a) and (b). *Prima facie* Durgapur appears to be a suitable site for setting up a fertilizer plant. A final decision in the matter however in respect of this as well as other plants is likely to be taken only when the Third Five Year Plan has taken final shape.

Wage Maps for Bombay and Kanpur

576. { **Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:**
Shri Pangarkar:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1018 on the 7th December, 1959 and state the further progress made so far in drawing up experimental wage maps for Bombay and Kanpur?

The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali): The question of drawing up experimental wage maps for Bombay and Kanpur will be examined only after the wage census data become available. Scrutiny and tabulation of these data are still in progress and their completion may take some time.