

(c) whether it is a fact that there are only seven members in the Association who constitute the Executive Committee;

(d) whether there has not been any regular election of the said committee;

(e) whether it is a fact that by an order dated the 10th July, 1961 the Manipur Administration has taken over all the powers and functions delegated to the Association; and

(f) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir,

(d) The members of the Executive Committee were duly elected at the last general meeting of the Association.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.

Biography of Netaji

3426. Shri Assar: Will the **Prime Minister** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the writer of Netaji's biography was denied information and was not allowed to see some original letters by the U.K. authorities which are in their possession;

(b) whether the Government of India have made any inquiry in this regard; and

(c) if so, what reason was given by the U.K. authorities for this act?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): (a) Yes.

(b) Yes, the U.K. Government was approached through High Commission of India, London, for facilities.

(c) The U.K. Government regretted their inability to provide information as they are unwilling to relax 50 years rule governing opening of official records to private individuals.

Roads in Bhutan

3427. Shri L. Achaw Singh: Will the **Prime Minister** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Five Year Plan launched by the Bhutan Government includes the construction of 800 miles of motorable roads;

(b) whether the approach road linking India with Bhutan is also included in the 800 miles to be constructed; and

(c) the progress made so far in the construction of the link road?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): (a) The Bhutan Government plans during the period 1961-66 to construct about 270 miles of motorable roads and 100 miles of jeepable roads in Bhutan.

(b) Two roads linking India with Bhutan are included.

(c) The first link road viz. the Phuntsoling-Paro Road, is expected to be completed early in 1962. The other road is being surveyed.

Survey of Manipur

3428. Shri L. Achaw Singh: Will the **Prime Minister** be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Sample Survey Team has started its operation in Manipur; and

(b) if so, the objects of the Survey?

The Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai): (a) Yes.

(b) The object of the Survey is to collect from various socio-economic sectors statistical data required for national planning, administration and policy formulation.