

1961 and state the further progress made in re-modelling the Village Tehar, a refugee colony in Delhi?

**The Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna):** The revised estimates have been received from the Municipal Corporation of Delhi and these are being examined.

#### **Development of Dhaka Village by Delhi Corporation**

**3778. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:** Will the Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2864 on the 6th April, 1961 and state:

(a) whether Government have since received any request for loan from Delhi Corporation for development of Dhaka village and re-development of Kingsway Camp; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

**The Minister of Rehabilitation and Minority Affairs (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna):** (a) and (b). The Municipal Corporation of Delhi have prepared an estimate which involves an expenditure of about Rs. 199 lakhs. This estimate is being examined by the Central Public Works Department in consultation with the Corporation.

#### **Monazite Deposits in Kerala**

**3779. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1366 on the 6th April, 1961 and state the result of the survey made by the Government to assess the quantity of Monazite deposits available in Kerala?

**The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru):** As already reported in reply to Starred Question No. 1366 on the 6th April, 1961, the reserves of monazite in the areas so far surveyed on the southern and south-western coasts of India between Kanyakumari and

Trikunnapuzha are estimated at 1.4 million tons (0.64 million tons on the Kerala coast and 0.76 million tons on the Madras coast). Extensive investigations in the coastal tract are still in progress and the total reserves can only be known after their completion. By reason of their very nature, these investigations take a long time to conclude.

#### **Conversion of Provident Fund Scheme**

**3780. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:** Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1362 on the 6th April, 1961 and state:

(a) whether the tripartite conference has considered the recommendations made by the study group on social security regarding the conversion of provident fund scheme into an old age and/or survivorship pension for widows and children; and

(b) if so, the result thereof?

**The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali):** (a) and (b). The Study Group's Report will be discussed at the next session of the Indian Labour Conference which is scheduled to be held on the 9th and 10th October, 1961.

#### **Technological Consulting Bureau**

**3781. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state at what stage is the proposal to give tax concession to Technological Consulting Bureau?

**The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):** Government have recently constituted a Committee whose terms of reference include *inter alia* the consideration of measures by which the growth of consultancy firms could be encouraged. A copy of the order appointing this Committee is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix IV, annexure No. 77].