

dered the Report of the Committee set up to examine the feasibility of establishing new Jute Mills in certain Jute growing areas including Tripura.

Uneconomic Tea Estates in Tripura

1109. SHRI DASARATHA DEB : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of uneconomic Tea Estates if any, in Tripura ;

(b) whether some of these Estates remain closed most of the time ; and

(c) if so, the steps Government propose to take to keep them running ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE): (a) and (b). Out of 55 tea gardens in Tripura, about fifty per cent could be said to be uneconomic. Government are, however, not aware of any of these tea gardens, remaining closed most of the time, being uneconomic.

(c) Does not arise.

Detenus in Tripura under Orissa Preventive Detention Act as Extended to Tripura

1110. SHRI DASARATHA DEB : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any person in Tripura now under detention under the Orissa Preventive Detention Act as extended to Tripura ; and

(b) if so, what are the grounds of their detention against each detenu ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) and (b). According to the information received from the Tripura Administration, six persons are in detention in Tripura under the Orissa Preventive Detention Act, 1970, as extended to the Union Territory of Tripura. They have been detained for activities prejudicial to the maintenance of public order.

Super Express Telegraph service

1111. SHRI S. C. SAMANTA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether for the first time in the country a "Super Express Telegraph Service" between Delhi and Bombay was recently inaugurated ;

(b) if so, the reason for taking up Delhi-Bombay service alone ;

(c) the additional cost involved in the project and how much will be charged from the sender ; and

(d) how it compares with the "Lightning" Call charges and timing in Telephones ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA): (a) Yes. This is limited to telegrams addressed to telephone numbers.

(b) Delhi-Bombay route was selected to begin with as an experimental measure

(c) No additional cost. Senders are charged only the usual express telegram charges

(d) Lightning telephone calls are charged 8 times the basic charge of an ordinary call for the same duration, whereas in case of super express telegraph service only express charges are levied.

Overhauling of Intelligence Bureau

1112. SHRI N. K. SANGHI : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the entire Intelligence Organisation is being overhauled to make it function more effectively and that as a first step, the present top officials of the Intelligence Bureau are under orders of transfer ; and

(b) whether important wings of the Bureau will hereafter be headed by civilians unconnected with the Police or the Army ?