are activities are against the interests of the Society.

At the time of admission, each member shall pay the full value of the minimum shares provided that the Managing Committee may relax this condition in deserving cases and allow payment in suitable instalments.

Conditions of Work and Employment of Casual Labourers under Various Ministers

305¹. SHRI PHOOL CHAND VERMA; SHRI N. SHIVAPPA ;

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any scheme under Government's condicideration to regularise the conditions of work and employment of the casual labourer employed under the various Ministries of Government of India; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI R. K. KHADILKAR): (a) A set of model draft regulations relating to conditions of service of casual labour employed by Central Government undertakings is under consideration in consultation with the Ministries concerned.

(b) The salient features of the scheme are yet to be finally worked out; these are to be finalized in the light of the comments received.

Agricultural Projects Jointly sponsored by F.R.G. and G.D.R.

3052. SHRI P. K. DEO : SHRI ROBIN KAKOTI :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of agricultural projects jointly sponsored by the Federal Republic of Germany and the German Democratic Republic being operated in India; and (b) whether any new agricultural project is being discussed or is under negotiation with the Federal Republic of Germany and the German Democratic Republic ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE): (a) No agricultural projects in India are being sponsored jointly by the Federal Republic of Germany and the German Democratic Republic.

There are, however, at present four Agricultural Development Projects in operation in India for which technical and material assistance is being received from Government of Federal Republic of Germany. These projects are located at Mandi and Kangra Districts of Himachal Pradesh, Nilgiris Distt. of Tamil Nadu and Almora Distt. of Uttar Pradesh.

No assistance is being received from the German Democratic Republic in the field of agricultural development.

(b) Yes, Sir. The Government of Federal Republic of Germany have been approached for taking up another Indo-German Project in the Chhotanagpur region of Bihar State. The matter is under consideration of the Foreign Government and no final decision has yet been taken.

Procurement of Maize by Government of Manipur for Sale in other States

3053. SHRI N. TOMBI SINGH : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased state :

(a) whether arrangements have been made to procure maize by the Government Manipur for sale in other States ;

(b) if so, the quantity of maize to be procured by the Government of Manipur ;

(c) whether such arrangements are not made in the manner in which surplus maize sold in Manipur; and

(d) whether other States like Bihar have offered to purchase maize from Manipur through the Goverement of Manipur?