

for housing schemes for Scheduled Castes; and

(b) the amount asked for by the Uttar Pradesh Government for the same period?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shrimati Chandrasekhar): (a) Rs. 16.61 lakhs.

(b) Rs. 11.22 lakhs.

Central Pool of Officers

1879. { Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:
Shri N. R. Laskar:
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:
Shrimati Savitri Nigam:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 199 on the 21st August 1963 and state:

(a) whether Government have since considered and decided to wind up the Central Pool of officers; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of Home Affairs (Shri Nanda): (a) and (b). The matter is still under consideration.

Sindri and Nangal Fertilizer Factories

1880. { Shri P. R. Chakraverti:
Shri Sidheshwar Prasad:
Shri D. D. Puri:

Will the Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals be pleased to state:

(a) whether any measure are under way to step up production to Sindri and Nangal Fertilizer Factories; and

(b) whether any bonus has been sanctioned for the workers during 1962-63?

The Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) Sindri: There is no proposal for increasing Sindri's plant capacity. Sindri Factory is, however, implementing a number of recommendations made by an Expert Committee

in December, 1961 for attaining maximum production possible in the present plant. This involves installation of spare equipment in different plants and installation of additional gas producers and economical recovery of ammonia from coke oven effluent and sulphate from chalk sludge. Import of some of the major equipments recommended for installation in the various plants and additional producers for Lean Gas plant is under consideration. Implementation of schemes for the recovery of ammonia and ammonium sulphate is in progress.

Nangal: The production is already upto the designed capacity and there are, therefore, no special measures under way for stepping up production.

(b) Government have authorised the payment of an *ad hoc* award amounting to Rs. 17.64 lakhs for 1962-63 to the workers at Sindri and Nangal factories.

Fertilizer Plants

1881. **Shri A. K. Gopalan:** Will the Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have asked the Fertilizers and Chemicals Travancore Ltd., Alwaye to undertake the task of designing and construction of three new fertilizer plants; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) Yes, sir.

(b) The details have not yet been finalised.

Extension Library Centres for Universities

1882. { Shri B. K. Das:
Shri S. C. Samanta:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Universities so far approved by the University Grants