

ments, such as Defence, Railways, P & T, etc. The general pool exists in Delhi/New Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta, Nagpur, Madras, Faridabad, Chandigarh, Simla and Bangalore. A statement [See Appendix XCI, Annexure No. 55] showing the priority dates upto which allotments in different types have been made in the general pool at these places is attached. Priority dates in cases of types I to IV are reckoned from the date an officer joins Government service and in the case of types V and above from the date an officer begins to draw emoluments prescribed for the particular type.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) It cannot be anticipated by what time such employees would be allotted accommodation.

Visit to India, of the Director of the Centre for Pest Research, London

1293. SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO;
SHRI RABI RAY;
SHRI JAGBIR SINGH;
SHRI LOKANATH MISRA;
SHRI RAJNARAIN;

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Dr. P. T. Haskell, Director of the Centre for Overseas Pest Research, London visited Delhi recently;

(b) if so, what was the purpose of his visit; and

(c) whether it is a fact that a method of biological control of pests responsible for much of the damage to cereal crops is proposed to be tried in India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE): (a) Dr. P. T. Haskell, visited India from 14th to 31st March in 1973.

(b) The purpose was to visit some research Institutes in the country and to investigate the possibilities of collaboration in plant protection research and development, with particular reference to the introduction of Integrated Pest Control System, biological control of aquatic weeds and pest surveillance.

(c) Yes, Sir. Research on Biological control of pests has already been taken up in this country against pests of various crops. ICAR has also prepared an "All India Coordinated Research Project for the Biological Control of Crop Pests" and the same is being processed. There will be two main centres (Indian Institute of Horticultural Research and Commonwealth Institute of Biological Research Bangalore) and seven regional centres under this Project. It is envisaged to cover the major pests of Rice, Sugarcane, Cotton, Coconut, Apple and other Horticultural crops.

Constitution of the Committee to Investigate the Destruction of Historical Records

1294. SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO;
SHRI RABI RAY;
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Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 103 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 19th February, 1975 and state:

(a) whether the sub-Committee to investigate the problem of destruction of historical records, as recommended by the Indian Historical Records Commission, has been constituted; and

(b) what are the names of the Members of the said Committee?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI D. P. YADAV): (a) and (b). A sub-