

SELECTION AND TRAINING OF TELEGRAPHISTS AND TELEGRAPH TRAFFIC CLERKS

205. SHRI D. THENGARI : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the criteria for the selection of the subjects taught to, and the period of training for (i) Circle Service Telegraphists, and (ii) Telegraph Traffic Clerks ; and

(b) what are their respective pay scales ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JAGANNATH RAO) : (a) (i) For Circle Service telegraphists the period of training is 9 months. The subjects of training are selected on the basis that a trained telegraphist should be able to handle all functions of a telegraph office. They are trained in the different systems of signalling as well as on technical matters and accounting and administrative procedure etc.

(ii) The period of training of Telegraph Traffic clerks is 3 months. The subjects of training are selected on the basis that they will handle all clerical, accounting and administrative work. They receive "on-the-job" training on all aspects of their duties.

(b) The pay scale both for telegraphists and clerks is Rs. 110—4—150—5—175—EB—6—205—EB—7—240. The trained, Circle Service telegraphists, are granted three advance increments and they start at Rs. 122/- in the scale.

ALLOTMENT OF PLOTS TO REFUGEES FROM EAST PAKISTAN AT KALKAJI

206. SHRI J. C. CHATTERJI : Will the Minister of LABOUR, EMPLOYMENT AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether all the plots in the Kalkaji Colony which has been developed for the displaced persons from East Pakistan have already been allotted ; and

(b) if not, how many plots are still to be allotted and how many were the applicants ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR EMPLOYMENT AND REHABILITATION (SHRI D. R. CHAVAN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) As development of the area is not yet complete, no allotment has yet been made.

1921 applications have been received for about 1600 plots approved for allotment.

ATTACK BY MIZOS

207. SHRI J. C. CHATTERJI : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Mizos attacked a Assam Tea Estate on 19th April, 1966 and looted the Manager's residential quarter there ; and

(b) If so, the steps taken by Government in the matter of affording protection against such attacks ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI JAISUKHLAL HATHI) : (a) On the 17th April, 1966, some armed Mizo rebels in 'khaki' dress raided the bungalow of the Manager of the Monierkhal Tea Estate in Cachar District, bordering Mizo Hills and looted a gun, some cash and ornaments.

(b) Security arrangements have been tightened to prevent recurrence of such incidents.

†EMPLOYEES' STATE INSURANCE SCHEME

100. SARDAR RAM SINGH : Will the Minister of LABOUR, EMPLOYMENT AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the recommendations of the Tripartite Committee for the review of the Employees' State Insurance Scheme have been examined by Government ; and

(b) if so, the details of these recommendations which have been accepted by Government ?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR, EMPLOYMENT AND REHABILITATION (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM) : (a) The recommendations are under examination.

(b) Does not arise.

†SCHOLARSHIPS FOR BACKWARD CLASSES

125. SHRI K. S. CHAVDA : Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have announced the scheme of post-matric scholarships to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, De-notified, Nomadic, Semi-Nomadic Tribes and Lower Income Group students for studies in India for 1966-67 ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

†Transferred from the 11th May, 1966.