

ALL INDIA EDUCATIONAL SERVICE

26. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the answer given to Starred Question No. 97 in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st November, 1968 and state:

(a) the progress so far made in constituting the All India Educational Service;

(b) the names of States which have not favoured the creation of this Service; and

(c) the time by which the Service is likely to be constituted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI R. M. HAJARNAVIS): (a) The matter is under consideration in consultation with the State Governments;

(b) Madhya Pradesh, Madrai and Maharashtra; and

(c) Efforts are being made to secure the agreement of these States. After their agreement has been secured, the necessary legislation will be sponsored in Parliament.

ELECTION PETITIONS FILED WITH ASSAM HIGH COURT

XI. SHRI A. M. TARIQ: Will the Minister of LAW be pleased to state:

(a) the number of election petitions which were filed with the Assam High Court in respect of election to the LOK Sabha held in 1962;

(b) the number of petitions disposed of so far; and

(c) the number of petitions pending at present?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW (SHRI BIBUDHEN-DRA MISRA) : (a) None, Sir, as there is no provision in the Law for any election petition being filed before a High Court.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

SULPHURIC ACID

28. SHRI M. C. SHAH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) what was the total consumption of sulphuric acid during the years 1960, 1961 and 1962;

(b) what were the requirements of the fertilisers industry of sulphuric acid during the above period; and

(c) what is the quantity of sulphur required for the manufacture of sulphuric acid; and whether any quantity thereof is imported; if so, to what extent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI O. V. ALAKESAN): (a) the total consumption of sulphuric acids in the country during the years 1960, 1961 and 1962 was 3,54,000, 4,22,500 and 4,69,500 tonnes, respectively;

(b) The requirements of the fertiliser industry of sulphuric acid during the years 1960, 1961 and 1962 were 1,96,000, 2,45,000 and 2,63,000 tonnes, respectively;

(c) Roughly one tonne of sulphur is required for production of 3 tonnes of sulphuric acid. There are no known sources of elemental sulphur in the country and the entire requirements of this chemical are met by imports. The imports of sulphur during the three years 1960, 1961 and 1962 were 1,79,071, 91,433 and 2,48,031 tonnes respectively.

CONSTRUCTION OF YOUTH HOSTELS

29. SHRI M. C. SHAH: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the actual amount spent on the construction of Youth Hostels in the first two years of the Third Five Year Plan; and