

साक्ष मंत्रालय में उपसंत्री (भो ए० एम०

यॉमस) : (क) प्राप्त हुए पत्रों

की संख्या . . . . . ६८३

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अंग्रेजी में उत्तर दिये गये पत्रों

की संख्या . . . . . ३३

उन पत्रों की संख्या जिनका

उत्तर देने की आवश्यकता

ही नहीं थी . . . . . ३१३

उन पत्रों की संख्या जिन का

उत्तर अभी दिया जाना है . . . . . ३

(ख) हिन्दी पत्रों के हिन्दी उत्तर साधारणतया इस काम पर लगाये गये हिन्दी जानने वाले कर्मचारियों, जिनकी संख्या ११ है, द्वारा तैयार किये जाते हैं। आवश्यकता पड़ने पर हिन्दी जानने वाले अन्य कर्मचारी उनकी सहायता करते हैं।

इस समय १० हिन्दी टाइपराइटर्स का प्रयोग हो रहा है।

+ [THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI A M THOMAS) (a)

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| Number of communications in Hindi received . . . . . | 983 |
| Number replied to in Hindi . . . . .                 | 634 |
| Number replied to in English . . . . .               | 33  |
| Number not calling for any reply . . . . .           | 313 |
| Number yet to be replied to . . . . .                | 3   |

(b) Replies to Hindi communications in Hindi are generally prepared by the Hindi knowing staff, numbering 11 detailed for this purpose. They are assisted, as and when necessary, by other Hindi knowing personnel

The number of Hindi typewriters in use is 10 ]

† [English translation.

AGARTALA SULEROOM ROAD

626 SHRI T M DASGUPTA: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state,

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to make Agartala Suleroom Road an all-weather road;

(b) if so, what steps are being taken in that respect; and

(c) when the bridges on Muhari river on the same road are going to be constructed and whether tender has been called for them?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING IN THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR) (a) Yes (The hon Member is obviously referring to what is known as Agartala-Sabroom Road)

(b) The Agartala-Sabroom road is already a metalled road. Estimates for providing bituminous surface for the entire road from Agartala to Sabroom have already been sanctioned and the work is in various stages of progress

(c) The construction of a permanent bridge over the Muhari river is included in the Third Five-Year Plan of Tripura at an estimated cost of Rs. 7 lakhs and is proposed to be taken up in the year 1963-64. A Semi Permanent Timber bridge over the Lowgang river is under construction. The contractor for the construction of a permanent bridge over the Gumati river has been selected and the work is scheduled to be started during the current financial year.

SURVEY OPERATION FOR FLOOD PROTECTION IN TRIPURA

627 SHRI T M DASGUPTA Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state

(a) what are the findings of the Survey operation made at Satramiar Howay of Kailasabar sub-division,

Tripura during past few years for flood protection; and

(b) when the said flood protection work will be taken up to save the vast paddy fields from the flood water of the River Manu?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI O. V. ALAGESAN): (a) A scheme estimated to cost Rs. 6.50 lakhs has been prepared by the Tripura Administration on the basis of the survey operation.

(b) The scheme prepared by the Tripura Administration is under technical scrutiny by the Central Water and Power Commission. It will be taken up for execution after it is finalised.

#### OPENING OF PUBLIC CALL OFFICES AT BELONIA AND SABROOM (TRIPURA)

628. SHRI T. M. DASGUPTA: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the difficulties experienced due to the lack of public call offices at Belonia and Sabroom (Tripura) which are Sub-Divisional headquarters; and

(b) if so, when public call offices will be opened in those towns?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI B. BHAGAVATI): (a) and (b) Public Call Offices at Belonia and Sabroom are likely to be opened in 1963.

#### AGRICULTURAL FARMS OPENED BY TRIPURA ADMINISTRATION

629. SHRI T. M. DASGUPTA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) how many agricultural farms or demonstration centres were opened by the Agricultural Department, Tripura Administration during the years

1960-61 and 1961-62 under its direct control and management; and

(b) what was the year-wise total expenditure on these farms and centres?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI A. M. THOMAS): (a) Five.

(b) Rs. 2,48,187 during 1960-61 and Rs. 31,547 during 1961-62.

#### SUPPLY OF GHEE UNDER DELHI MILK SCHEME

630. SHRI V. M. CHORDIA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Milk Supply Depot of the Delhi Milk Scheme located in the Parliament House supplies ghee to Members of Parliament only?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI A. M. THOMAS): The Milk Stall located at the Parliament House is primarily intended for Members of Parliament. However, during off session periods, the stall is run for the benefit of the staff of the Parliament Secretariat and the Department of Parliamentary Affairs.

#### LATE RUNNING OF LOCAL TRAINS AT CALCUTTA

631. SHRI NIREN GHOSH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for the daily late running of local trains at Calcutta; and

(b) what steps have been taken to ensure punctual running of the said local trains?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) Local suburban trains do not run late daily in Calcutta. Occasionally the punctuality of local trains in the Calcutta area is affected by the following main factors:—