Shri BHUPESH GUPTA: Now, architects have been available, I understand. Has your foreign exchange problem been solved? If not, in drawing up the plans, has any care been taken to see that the expenses on the construction of the building are, met from the foreign exchange earned by our exports to Japan?

Oral Answers

SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON: That is a suggestion.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: Suggestion for action.

SHRI JASWANT SINGH: When the cost of the building is Rs. 11 lakhs odd, is not the price of Rs. 10 lakhs for the land on the high side and has the Government considered the question that a very high price has been given for the land?

Shrimati LAKSHMI MENON: The price is paid according to the local rates and it was done in 1956.

Dr. H. N. KUNZRU: Is this building meant to accommodate the Chancery?

SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON: Yes, Sir.

Dr. H. N. KUNZRU: Or, is it meant for the residence of the Ambassador?

SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON: Only for the Chancery.

CLOSURE OF TEXTILE MILLS IN JODHPUR

- *281. SHRI S. C. DEB: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that many textile mills such as in Pali, Beawar, Kishangarh and Bhilwara in Jodhpur, Rajasthan are curtailing their cloth production; and
- (b) if so, what is the cause of this curtailment and what action Government are taking to enable the

mill-owners to overcome their difficulties?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Shri S. C. DEB: May I know, Sir, whether it is in the knowledge of the Government that these millowners are approaching the Government because of shortage of coal and as such they are curtailing their production?

Shri Manubhai Shah: No, Sir. As I have indicated in the main answer, the production of the textile mills in Rajasthan was running at 50 million to 55 million yards a year and the same tempo is being maintained now. Regarding the loans, we do give fiscal assistance and actually one case of a mill in Rajasthan is under consideration.

SHRI JASWANT SINGH: The question relates to Pali, Beawar, Kishangarh and Bhilwara. Pali forms part of Jodhpur, but since when Bhilwara has formed part of Jodhpur?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: We talk in a particular way, the whole of Rajasthan, rather than one part of it. When we say Rajasthan, Jodhpur is included and to make the more clear we took the whole State as one. Now, there are no distinct States. The answer definitely states thai, whether these mills are in Jodhpur or Rajasthan. their production has not suffered and it is practically going on at the same rate.

†COMMENTARIES ON CRICKET, HOCKEY
AND FOOTBALL MATCHES OVER AKASH
VANI.

*132. SHRI ARJUN ARORA: Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state how much time was spent by the Akash Vani for broadcasting commentaries on cricket, hockey and football

†Postponed from the 22nd February, 1961.

matches during the year 1960 separately?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (Dr. B. V. Keskar): During 1960, running commentaries on matches were broadcast (excluding relays) for a duration of about 296 hours for cricket, 17 hours for hockey and 38 hours for football.

SHRI ARJUN ARORA: May I know, Sir, why so much time was given to cricket and so little to hockey?

DR. B. V. KESKAR: The time given can be misleading. Firs'ly, cricket is broadcast throughout the day and the matches last three to five days. Hockey and football matches last one hour or one and half hours at times and, generally speaking, commentaries take place on international matches. Unfortunately in the case of hockey and football, we have not had many international matches.

SHRI ARJUN ARORA: May I know, Sir, if the Ministry is considering broadcasting commentaries on the national tournaments of hockey, which are very important for the development of the game in the country?

DR. B. V. KESKAR: In regard to some of the important tournaments, I do not say commentaries but a radio newsree is prepared. I am prepared to consider the suggestion of the hon. Member.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: May I have the names of those who generally give the commentaries on cricket and get 296 hours and, I believe, some cash also along with it for their comments? Have we got their names here?

DR. B. V. KESKAR: I would require notice. But the commentators change in every series of matches.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: May I know, Sir, whether it is a fact that

in the matter of selecting these people, as far as cricket goes, there are very strong likes and dislikes—you will not like favouritism and all that I know—and may I know, Sir, why such people who give wrong scores, wrong names and also chat among themselves when they broadcast, are selected?

(No reply.)

MR. CHAIRMAN: Next question.

QUARTERS BUILT FOR GOVERNMENT SERVANTS IN DELHI/NEW DELHI

*266. SHRI BABUBHAI CHINAI (ON EEHALF OF SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA): Will the Minister of Works, Housing AND SUPPLY be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of various types of quarters built in Delhi/New Delhi for Government servants during the year 1960; and
- (b) the number of applications by the Government servants in various categories pending for allotment of residential accommodation on the 1st January, 1961?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF WORKS, HOUSING AND SUPPLY (SHRI ANIL K. CHANDA): (a) and (b) A statement showing the position in regard to general pool accommodation in Delhi/New Delhi is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

Class of Accom- moda- tion	No. of quarters constructed by the C.P.W.D. and handed over to the Directorate of Estates during 1960 for allotment in the General Pool		No. of applications pending allotment of general pool accommodation as on 1-1-61	
	New Delhi	Delhi	New Delhi	Delhi
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
'A' .	• •		42	•
<u>'B'</u> .			120	2