

(c) what other amenities are provided in these bungalows?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF WORKS, HOUSING AND SUPPLY (SHRI ANIL K. CHANDA): (a) to (c). The total annual maintenance cost of the bungalows allotted from the general pool to the Ministers and Deputy Ministers is about Rs. 1,48,000. The average value of furniture supplied in each of the bungalows works out to about Rs. 21,000. Electricity and water are supplied free of cost to these bungalows as also certain electrical appliances.

MANUFACTURE OF MECHANISED PLOUGHS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH NETHERLAND FIRM

*164. { SHRI BABUBHAI
CHINAI:
SHRI K. K. SHAH:
SHRI M. M. MEHTA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a Netherland firm has offered partnership with Indian capital for the manufacture of mechanised ploughs and if so, what are the details of the scheme; and

(b) what action Government have taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH): (a) and (b). M/s. The East Asiatic Company, Bombay had applied for a licence under the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951, for the establishment of a new industrial undertaking at Hyderabad, for the manufacture of 24,000 Nos. Rotary Power Tillers per annum. The scheme was approved by Government and a licence under the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951 was granted to the firm. The Andhra State Government are also considering participating in this venture of M/s. East Asiatic Company.

RULES FOR EMPLOYMENT OF INDIAN DIPLOMATS ABROAD

*166. SHRI M. S. GURUPADA-SWAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any specific rules have been framed or evolved for the employment of Indian diplomatic representatives abroad; and

(b) if not, whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to frame such rules?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON): (a) and (b). With the exception of a certain number of posts of Heads of Missions and Posts, all diplomatic, commercial and consular posts in our Missions abroad are to be manned by officers of branches A and B of the Indian Foreign Service. The relevant rules for the maintenance, recruitment and training of the Foreign Service have been drafted and are expected to be published at an early date.

DETERIORATING SITUATION IN NAGA HILLS AREA

*167. SHRI J. H. JOSHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the situation in Naga Hills area is deteriorating as some village guards who were provided with arms and ammunition for the protection of the people have fled and joined the hostile camps with those very arms; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to bring the situation under control?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON): (a) and (b). There has been no deterioration in the situation in the Naga Hills. In fact, there has been some improvement. It is true that a small number of village guards deserted from their posts.