Rs. 15,85,100 now held by private owners in the Ashoka Hotels Ltd., New Delhi; and

(b) how much profit was made by Ashoka Hotels in 1959-60?]

निर्माण, आवास और संभरण उपमंत्री (श्री अनिल के० चन्दा) : (क) जी नहीं, महोदय ।

(ख) १९५९-६० के वर्ष के लिये अशोक होटल के लेखों की लेखा-परीक्षा (ऑडिट) अभी नहीं हुई है और होटल को कितना लाभ हुआ है, इसका ठीक ठीक पता तो तभी चलेगा, जब कि लेखों की लेखा-परीक्षा हो जाय और उन्हें कम्पनी के साधारण निकाय (जनरल बॉडी) की वार्षिक बैठक द्वारा स्वीकार कर लिया जाये ।

फिर भी अ-लेखा-परीक्षित आंकड़ों से पता चलता है कि इस वर्ष में सब विनियोजनों (ऐप्रोप्रियेशन्स) और मूल्य ह्रास (डिप्रिसियेशन), ऋणों पर ब्याज इत्यादि स्थायी व्ययों के लिये व्यवस्था करने के बाद होटल को लगभग साढ़े आठ लाख रुपये का लाभ रहा है ।

t[THK DEPUTY MINISTER OF WORKS, HOUSING AND SUPPLY (SHRI ANIL K. CHANDA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) The accounts of the Ashoka Hotel for the year 1959-60 have not yet been audited and the exact profit made by the Hotel will be known after the accounts are audited and adopted at the Annual General Body meeting of the Company.

The unaudited figures, however, indicate that the Hotel has made a profit of about Rs. 84 lakhs during this year, after providing for all appropriations and standing charges like Depreciation, Ir+erest on loans etc.]

हिन्द महासागर में पाये गये विशेष प्रकार के जन्तु तथा मछलियां

*१५५. **श्री राम सहाय** : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सोवियत ओशनोग्राफर्स ने अभी हाल में हिन्द महासागर में किन्हीं विशेष जन्तुओं और विशेष प्रकार की मछलियों की खोज की है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस खोज की क्या विशेषतायें हैं; और

(ग) क्या इस सम्बन्ध में पहले सरकार से कोई परामर्श किया गया था ?

t [SPECIAL VARIETY OF ANIMALS AND FISH FOUND IN INDIAN OCEAN

•155. SHRI RAM SAHAI; Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Soviet Oceanographers have recently discovered certain special animals and certain special varieties of fish in the Indian Ocean;

(b) if so, what are the special features of this discovery; and

(c) whether Government were consulted beforehand in the matter?]

वैदेशिक कार्य उपमंत्री (श्रीमती लक्ष्मी मेनन) : (क) और (ख) अभी तक भारत सरकार को कोई बाजाब्ता सूचना नहीं मिली है । इस अभियान में जिन भारतीय वैज्ञानिकों ने हिस्सा लिया था, उनकी बाजाब्ता रिपोर्ट का इन्तजार किया जा रहा है ।

(ग) भारत सरकार से पहले सलाह ली गई थी और भारत के तीन वैज्ञानिकों का एक दल नियुक्त किया गया था जिसने इस अभियान में हिस्सा लिया ।

t[ ] English translation,

t[THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON): (a) and (b). The Government of India have not received any official information so far. Official reports from the Indian scientists who participated in this Expedition are awaited.

(c) The Government of India were consulted beforehand and deputed a team of three Indian scientists who participated in the expedition.]

CYCLE INDUSTRY

39. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE: Will the "Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY "foe pleased to state:

(a) the number of cycle factories which are at present working in India, State-wise;

(b) the number of cycles which are annually produced by these factories;

vc) whether any cycles or cycle parts are at present being imported;

(d) if so, from which countries and in what number and of what value; and

(e) what is the annual sale of cycles in India?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI SATISH CHANDRA): (a) to (e) A statement is attached. *[See* Appendix XXIX, An-nexure No. 10.]

REGISTERED UNEMPLOYED PERSONS

40. SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of registered unemployed persons in India in each of the years smce the end of the First Five Year Plan period; and

(b) what is the number of persons, for each of these years, who secured employment through the Employment Exchanges?

f [ ] English translation.

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI ABID ALI): (a) and (b) The information is given below:—

Year	No. on the Live Register at the end of the year	No. of applicants placed in employment during the year
1955-56 . .	7,04,638	1,76,853
1956-57 . .	7,47,341	1,84,604
1957-58 . .	9,31,749	2,03,407
1958-59 . .	12,17,650	2,39,354
1959-60 . . (up to Feb. '60)	14,00,965	2,58,412

DRAFT THIRD FIVE YEAR PLAN

41. SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the draft Third Five Year Plan has been finalised; and

(b) if so, when it is likely to be presented to Parliament?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRI S. N. MISHRA) : (a) and (b) The draft outline of the Third Five Year Plan is expected to be ready for consideration by the Government in the first half of May and to be published early in June. Copies will be sent to Members immediately after publication. It is proposed that the draft outline should be considered by Parliament during the next session.

SUB-SOIL WATER IN NEW DELHI

42. SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK; Will the Minister of WORKS, HOUSING AND SUPPLY be pleased to state the exiting level of sub-soil water in New Delhi and the extent, if any, to which the rise has affected the city's buildings and structures?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF WORKS, HOUSING AND SUPPLY (SHRI ANIL K. J CHANDA): The sub-soil WRter level I varies from place to place and from