EN DEPUTY MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI M. V. KRISHNAPPA): No. Sir.

SHRIMATI SAVITRY DEVI NIG AM: May I know if it is a fact that the Agricultural Prices Enquiry Committee has submitted its report and has recommended that immediately some price control should be brought about in the Andaman markets.

SHRI M. V. KRISHNAPPA: There is obviously some confusion here. The lady Member has mentioned in the question the Agricultural Prices Enquiry Committee, but she is referring to the Asoka Mehta Committee, that is, the Foodgrains Enquiry Committee. The Agricultural Prices Enquiry Committee completely deals with the reporting agencies. It has nothing to do with price control and other things.

SHRIMATI SAVITRY DEVI NIG AM: May I know if it is a fact that during the rainy season the foodstuffs are sold in the various islands at a very high rate?

SHRI M. V. KRISHNAPPA: Anda-mans is not producing enough foodstuffs, and the population there is also increasing, and it is not self-sufficient. We have to send foodgrains often from India.

SHRIMATI SAVITRY DEVI NIG AM: May I know if it is a fact that in the last rainy season salt was sold there at the rate of Rs. 1-8 per seer?

SHRI M. V. KRISHNAPPA: In fact Andamans is far away from India and it takes some time for things to reach there. Probably the prices of all essential commodities will go up, depending upon the arrival of the steamer—if the steamer is delayed, the prices will go, up.

V26 and *127. (The questioner (Shri M. Valiulla) was absent. For answers, vide cols. 578-79 infra.]

कलकत्ता ग्रीर बम्बई के बीच ट्रंक केबल बिछाने की योजना

*१२८. श्री राम सहाय : क्या परिवहन तथा संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

- (क) कलकत्ता ग्रौर बम्बई के बीच ट्रंक केंबल बिछाये जाने की नई योजना के ग्रधीन कितना कार्य ग्रभी तक हो चुका है:
- (ख) इस मार्ग के और कौन कौन से शहरों में यह कार्यसम्पन्न हो चुका है, ग्रौर
- (ग) क्यायह कार्यप्रोग्रामके स्रनुसार अप्रैल, १६५० में शुरू हो गयाथा?

t [SCHEME FOR LAYING TRUNK CABLE BETWEEN CALCUTTA AND BOMBAY

- ♦128. SHRI RAM SAHAI: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:
- (a) the extent of work so far done under the new scheme for laying trunk cable between Calcutta and Bombay;
- (b) the cities on this route where the work has been completed; and
- (c) whether the work was started in April 1958 according to schedule?]

परिवहन तथा संचार मंत्री (श्री एस० के० पाटिल) : (क) दिल्ली-कानपुर अनुभाग के लिये आवश्यक केंब्रल व उपस्कर (equipment) उपलब्ध किये जा चुके हैं और आगरा-दिल्ली अनुभाग पर इनके लगाने का काम शुरू कर दिया गया है।

- (स) कोई से दो शहरों को मिला देने का काम स्रभी पूरा नहीं हक्या है।
- (ग) यह काम १६ मई, १६५= को शुरू किया गया था ।
 - †[] English translation.

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The cable and the equipment required for the section Delhi- Kanpur had been obtained and work of installation commenced in the Section Agra-Delhi.

- (b) the work of linking any two cities has not yet been completed.
- (c) The work was started on 19th May, 1958.]

SHRI V. PRASAD RAO: May I know whether the Government has examined the श्री राम सहाय: क्या माननीय मंत्री जी बतलाने की कृपा करेंगे कि इस योजना को ग्रीर किन-किन शहरों के अन्तर्गत प्रारम्भ करने का ख्याल है ?

श्री एस० के० पाटिल : बम्बई, दिल्ली और कलकत्ते के बीच में जो शहर आयंगे जैसे लखन इयौर कानपुर और ऐसा करने में शायद पांच, दस या पचास मील इधर उधर जाना पडे ।

श्री राम सहाय : क्या माननीय मिनिस्टर महोदय यह बतलाने की कुपा करेंगें कि साधारण योजना में ग्रीर इस नई योजना में क्या अन्तर है ?

श्री एस० के० पाटिल : ग्रन्तर तो बहत है। यह तो टेलीफोन का लेटेस्ट फार्म है और इसमें सारा टेलीफन सिस्टम सुधर जायगा

scheme to establish а short-wave communication system instead of having this costly cable system as such?

SHRI S. K. PATIL: Sir, it is necessary that it should be a system that connects most of our cities. It cannot be a short space between two cities alone. It has got wider repercussions and when completed, it will De tremendously better than what it is today.

I] English translation.

SHKI V. PRASAD RAO: May I know, Sir, if the hon. Minister is aware that by the multichannel shortwave communication system, different cities could also be connected just as through this cable system?

to Questions

SHRI S. K. PATIL: The hon. Member seems to be a better technician than myself. I am just stating what the question has been asked for.

SHRI V. PRASAD RAO: Is the non. Mini:ter aware that in foreign countries such a system has been in vogue?

SHRI S. K. PATIL: Not to my knowledge, but the question does not refer to it.

PANDIT S. S. N. TANKHA: Is it. to be underground cable system?

SHRI S. K. PATIL: There might be underground cable.

श्री राम सहाय: क्या माननीय मंत्री महोदय कुछ थोड़ा भी ग्राइडिया इस बात का देसकोंगे कि इसमें माइलेज के लिहाज से या किसी और असूल के लाहज से कितना खर्च ग्राता है?

श्री एस० के० पाटिल: माइलेज के लिहाज से मेरे पास स्टैटिस्टिक्स नहीं है लेकिन पुरा खर्चा करीब दस करोड रूपये होगा ।

नियंत्रण योजना

स्वास्च्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे

(क) कुष्ट नियंत्रण योजना तहत १६५५-५६ में जो ३० ग्रतिरिक्त सहायक केन्द्र प्रस्थापित किये जाने वाले थे, उनमें से अब तक कितने केन्द्र प्रस्थापित किये जा चुके हैं; भौर