

SHRI V. K. DHAGE: Is it a fact that the business community there feel themselves quite insecure?

SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON: It is a fact.

SHRI V. K. DHAGE: How many have come away from that place so far?

SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON: It is presumed that all those who have capital investments of less than Rs. 25,000 must have come away because the repatriation level has been raised to Rs. 50,000. So it is presumed that all those people must have come away. Regarding the others, non-business people, 29,699 T.R.Ps. have left.

SHRI V. K. DHAGE: How many of the people whose investment is below Rs. 50,000 have come away?

SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON: I want notice for that.

SHRI V. K. DHAGE: May I know -whether the people who have come away have been able to take their capital out of Ceylon?

SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON: That was answered before.

SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK: What is the number of people who have now become Stateless on account of this policy of Ceylon?

SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON: I think the latest figure given is about 150,000 people.

INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, OKHLA

*55. SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state whether any time-limit has been fixed for the starting of such of the industries at Okhla Estate which have not yet started functioning?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH): No time limit as such, is fixed but it is expected

that almost all the remaining units will go into production within the next six months.

SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: May I know how many units have started functioning already?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: There are 22 which are functioning; 5 are under implementation and 8 will be filled up.

SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: May I know if any accommodation is still available for allotment?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: No, Sir.

INFORMATION CENTRES

*56. SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Information Centres in existence on the 31st December, 1957; and

(b) how many more such centres are to be started in 1958?

THE PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY TO THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI G. RAJAGOPALAN): (a) Nine.

(b) Six.

SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: May I know the names of the places where the centres are located?

SHRI G. RAJAGOPALAN: They are: Delhi, Srinagar, Jullundur, Lucknow, Patna, Madras, Trivandran, Bhubaneswar and Hyderabad.

SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: Has any arrangement been arrived at between the Centre and the State Governments for the opening of such centres?

SHRI G. RAJAGOPALAN: It was agreed at the State Ministers' Conference that if the Information Centres are to be opened, the State Governments have to bear 50 per cent of the expenditure and if they make provision for this 50 per cent, then the Centre will give the other portion of 50 per cent of the expenditure.