

given to co-operative societies is sufficient for the looms that are working under the co-operative societies for the whole year?

SHRI N. KANUNGO: Yes, Sir. There is no shortage in the availability of yarn and co-operative societies can get as much as they like.

SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN: May I know, Sir, if it is a fact that these looms are not working on account of inadequate supply of yarn for the whole year and even for the whole month?

SHRI N. KANUNGO: Yes, sometimes it depends upon the demands and sales and the working capital position and various other factors.

#### EXECUTION OF SECOND FIVE YEAR PLAN IN HIMACHAL PRADESH

\*91. SHRI NAWAB SINGH CHAUHAN (ON BEHALF OF SHRI C. L. VERMA): Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the amount provided in the budget estimates of the year 1957-58 for the execution of the Second Five Year Plan for Himachal Pradesh; and

(b) the amount spent up to date, separately in respect of Pay, Travelling Allowance, Daily Allowance and other administrative items connected with the schemes for Himachal Pradesh included in the Second Five Year Plan?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRI S. N. MISHRA): (a) Rs. 321-30 lakhs.

(b) Information is being collected.

P.W.D. IN HIMACHAL PRADESH

\*92. SHRI NAWAB SINGH CHAUHAN (ON BEHALF OF SHRI C. L. VARMA): Will the Minister of WORKS, HOUSING AND SUPPLY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of circles, divisions and sub-divisions of Public Works Department in Himachal Pradesh;

(b) whether these divisions are fully equipped with staff especially overseers;

(c) whether it is a fact that many overseers employed by the Department have given up their jobs, if so, for what reasons; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that many overseers are being employed in Himachal Pradesh on work-charged basis, if so what is the present number of such overseers?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF WORKS, HOUSING AND SUPPLY (SHRI ANIL K. CHANDA): (a) 3 Circles, 14 Divisions and 60 Sub-divisions.

(b) The divisions are fully staffed down to the level of Assistant Engineers. In respect of Overseers the P.W.D. is at present short of 44 Overseers out of a total requirement of 308.

(c) About 30 Overseers have resigned in recent months. They did not assign any reasons.

(d) Yes, Sir. 52.

श्री नवाब सिंह चौहान : क्या यह सच है कि तनख्वाह कम होने की वजह से ही वहाँ ओवरसियरों ने इस्तीफा दिया है और वहाँ उनकी कमी है ? यदि ऐसा है, तो उनका कितनी तनख्वाह है ? क्या सरकार उनकी तनख्वाह बढ़ाने के लिये कोई कार्यवाही कर रही है ?

SHRI ANIL K. CHANDA: It is likely, Sir, that the scale of salaries there is lower than that obtaining in other parts. We have no exact information on this matter at the moment. But we are enquiring into it.