

SHRI ABID ALI: According to the information then available, only these two had specialised agencies in their embassies concerning labour matters.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: May I know, Sir, if the Government had intimated to the other embassies or other countries with regard to sending representatives there? If so, did they get any replies from those countries?

SHRI ABID ALI: In view of the reply I have given earlier this question does not arise.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The question hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

PUBLICATION OF APPENDICES TO THE WORKING JOURNALISTS WAGE BOARD REPORT

*12. SHRI M. H. SAMUEL: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state whether Government propose to publish the Appendices to the Working Journalists Wage Board Report and if so, when?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI ABID ALI): Yes. The appendices to the Report of the Wage Board for Working Journalists are being placed on the Table of the Sabha. These will be released to the press to-day for publication.

ANTI-INDIA LITERATURE DISTRIBUTED BY THE PAKISTAN EMBASSY IN DAMASCUS

*13. SHRI M. H. SAMUEL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Pakistani Embassy in Damascus distributed anti-Indian literature and caricatures about the Prime Minister just before his visit to that city in June 1957; and

(b) if so, whether Government have lodged any protest with the Government of Pakistan in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON): (a) Yes.

(b) No.

PUBLICATION OF 'YOJANA'

*14. SHRI M. H. SAMUEL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of expenditure so far incurred on the publication "Yojana"; and

(b) what is its circulation and the income from it at present?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (DR. B. V. KESKAR): (a) The expenditure incurred on the first 11 issues was Rs. 1,04,001 for the English edition and Rs. 73,470 for the Hindi edition.

(b) The approximate paid circulation of the 'Yojana' is about 10,000 copies in English and about 7,000 and odd copies in Hindi. About 19,000 copies of the English and 17,000 copies of the Hindi edition are distributed free to Community Projects Information Centres, Panchayats and the Planning Commission, etc. This is done as the 'Yojana' has been mainly started as a kind of information fortnightly for the Community Projects network.

DEVELOPMENT OF FOREST AREA FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF DISPLACED PERSONS

*17. SHRI J. H. JOSHI: Will the Minister of REHABILITATION AND MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Development Council has approved a scheme for developing 20,000 square miles of the forest area in Andhra, Madhya Pradesh and Orissa for the settlement of displaced persons;