

HEIGHT PRESCRIBED FOR RECRUITMENT IN THE INDIAN ARMY

226. MOULANA M. FARUQI: Will the Minister for DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the minimum height prescribed for recruitment as a soldier in the Indian Army; and

(b) whether this height varies with the different States to which the recruits belong; if so, how?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR DEFENCE (SARDAR S. S. MAJITHIA):

(a) The minimum height prescribed for recruitment as a soldier in the Army varies from 5'5" to 5'8" according to the class or region to which the recruit belongs and according to the branch of service for which he is recruited.

(b) The standards of height vary somewhat according to the region or class to which a recruit belongs.

DETAILS OF LOAN AND GRANT GIVEN TO A COLONIST IN ANDAMANS

227. SHRI GOVINDAN NAIR: Will the Minister for HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state the amount and details of the grant and loan given to a colonist in the Andamans?

THE MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI B. N. DATAR): A statement showing the details of loan and grant given to a Colonist in Andamans is placed on the Table of the Rajya Sabha.

STATEMENT

Details of Grant and Loan given to a Colonist for Settlement in Andamans

Under the Colonisation Scheme of Andamans, each settler family is given a recoverable loan of Rs. 1,730 and an *ex-gratia* grant of Rs. 1,050 for the following purposes:

Rs.

(1) Recoverable Loan:	
(a) House building	.. 800
(b) Plough animals	.. 700
(c) Purchase of utensils	.. 130
(d) Seeds and manure	.. 100
TOTAL	.. 1,730

(2) Ex-gratia Grant:

Rs.

(a) Subsistence allowance	.. 840
(Rs. 70 p.m. for 8 months in the first year and for another 4 months in the next year.)	
(b) Passage from mainland to Andamans.	210
TOTAL	.. 1,050

STRENGTH OF THE POLICE FORCE IN TRAVANCORE-COCHIN STATE

228. SHRI GOVINDAN NAIR: Will the Minister for HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state the strength of the police force, designation-wise, in Travancore-Cochin now?

THE MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI B. N. DATAR): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House in due course.

PRINTING OF THE BUDGET PAPERS OF TRAVANCORE-COCHIN GOVERNMENT

229. SHRI GOVINDAN NAIR: Will the Minister for HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Budget Papers of the Government of Travancore-Cochin for the year 1956-57 were printed outside the State; and

(b) if so, what were the reasons therefor and where were they printed?