

grievances are being ventilated by these employees without being heeded by the Government?

SARDAR SWARAN SINGH: I do not think, Sir, that that will be a very correct proposition. Of the three demands, I may say that there will be difficulty in adding a room to their existing accommodation. With regard to rent, the position is being explained to them that we are not charging anything excessive, and with regard to the provision of additional water taps, our intention is to look into that and to provide some additional water taps.

COMMUNITY SETS

*353. SHRI M. GOVINDA REDDY: Will the Minister for INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state the number of community sets that have been installed so far since March 1955?

THE PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY TO THE MINISTER FOR INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI G. RAJAGOPALAN) : It is difficult to give the number of sets installed since March 1955. However, arrangements have been made to supply 13,431 sets to the various States during 1955-56.

SHRI M. GOVINDA REDDY: May I know, Sir, at whose cost these sets are supplied?

SHRI G. RAJAGOPALAN: The cost is shared between the Government of India and the State Governments. We give fifty per cent, of the cost of the sets.

SHRI M. GOVINDA REDDY: May I know, Sir, whether any allocation of these sets is made between the States; or, are the States' requirements met entirely?

SHRI G. RAJAGOPALAN: We generally meet the States' requirements. The State has to finance fifty per cent, of the project, then we give the other fifty per cent. If they are willing to give the fifty per cent, and indent the number of sets, we give them.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: May I know, Sir, if the Government has laid down any rules for the selection of sites where these community sets would be installed?

SHRI G. RAJAGOPALAN: Selection of sites for installation of sets depends on the State Government. The State Government chooses the site. Generally, sites which are covered by All India Radio transmissions are chosen.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: May I know, Sir, the total number of radio sets in India today?

SHRI G. RAJAGOPALAN: 9,30,600.

EMPLOYMENT MANUAL

*354. DR. RAGHUBIR SINH: Will the Minister for PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Statistical Institute is compiling an employment manual; and

(b) if so, when and at what cost it will be completed?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI J. S. L. HATHI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The first stage in the process of preparation of the manual which consists of the evolution of standard concepts and definitions and the prescription of a standard schedule has been completed. The other stage which relates to the manner of processing and tabulation of the data, preparation of the report, etc. is still in progress. No special budget provision for preparing the manual has been made.

BICYCLE MANUFACTURING UNIT IN HYDERABAD

*355. DR. RAGHUBIR SINH: Will the Minister for COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to set up in Hyderabad a bicycle component parts manufacturing unit as a small-scale industry;

(b) if so, what are the details of this project, and what will be its estimated cost; and

(c) how many persons are expected to get employment in this project?

THE MINISTER FOR INDUSTRIES <SHRI N. KANUNGO>: (a) No, Sir.

(b) ana (c). Do not arise.

DR. RAGHUBIR SINH: May I bring to the notice of the hon. Minister the interview given by Mr. C. S. P. Ver-ma, Development Officer, Commerce and Industry Ministry, Government of India, where he said that such a centre was going to be set up and that plentiful employment would be provided for the low income groups?

SHRI N. KANUNGO: I take notice of what the hon. Member says. Such matters are always under discussion with various States.

OUTPUT OF D.D.T. FACTORY, DELHI

*356. SHRI H. C. MATHUR: Will the Minister for PRODUCTION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the output so far of the r D.T. Factory, Delhi; and

(b) what is the quantity and value of the different raw materials purchased so far for the factory?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR PRODUCTION (SHRI SATISH CHANDRA): (a) and (b). A statement is placed on the Table of the Sabha. [See Appendix X, Annexure No. 74.]

SHRI H. C. MATHUR: May I know, Sir, what was the scheduled output for this factory and what is the actual output per month?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: The scheduled output is 700 tons per year. The present output is only 70 tons.

SHRI H. C. MATHUR: In how many months?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: The factory started production only a few months ago.

SHRI H. C. MATHUR: What accounts for this shortfall in the output?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: There are some initial teething troubles which are being got over. It is hoped that the production will begin according to schedule by the end of this financial year.

SHRI H. C. MATHUR: What are those initial troubles?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: Some of the chemical raw materials used in the manufacture of D.D.T. are very corrosive in nature. Spare parts which re-quire\ frequent replacements, especially in a tropical climate, have been ordered but have not been received so far.

SHRI H. C. MATHUR: Is it true that it was through some mistake and error of the management that this corrosion started: or was it only in the natural course?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: It was in the normal course. In tropical climate, certain rubber parts and plastic parts wear out more easily than in other places.

SHRI H. C. MATHUR: May I know, whether the hon. Minister has had some investigation conducted in this matter; or is it only the usual report which he has received? And what is the damage that has been caused because of this corrosion?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: I do not know of any abnormal damage having been caused to the plant. The only thing is that the spare parts which have been ordered have not yet been received. Smaller parts are being received by air; heavier parts will necessarily have to come by sea. All the same the factory is in production and the output of one ton at present is according to schedule.