

BORDER RAIDS IN ASSAM

*329. SHRI R. THANHLIRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of border raids committed by the Pakistani Nationals on the Assam border during the year 1953 and up to October 1954;

(b) the-number of casualties caused to the Indian citizens thereby; and

(c) what measures Government have taken so far to check these incidents?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI ANIL K. CHANDA): (a) and (b). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) Under the Indo-Pakistan Agreement of December 1948, all border incidents are referred to the District Magistrates concerned for settlement. Serious incidents are taken up by the Government of Assam with the Government of East Bengal and by the Government of ~~Assam~~ with the Government of Pakistan. The Government of Assam have also taken suitable steps to prevent such raids as far as possible and to ensure safety of Indian nationals residing in border areas.

CENTRAL STATIONERY OFFICE AT CALCUTTA

*330. SHRI S. N. MAZUMDAR: Will the Minister for WORKS, HOUSING AND SUPPLY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation from the sorters and packers of the Central Stationery Office at Calcutta;

(b) if so, whether the said representation includes a demand for the revision of their scales of pay; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER FOR WORKS, HOUSING AND SUPPLY (SARDAR

SWARAN SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir. A joint representation was received in the year 1952.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Government could not agree to a revision of the scales of pay and the petitioners were informed accordingly.

INTEREST REALISED FROM THE ALL INDIA RADIO FOR THE OUTSTANDING DUES

156. DR. R. P. DUBE: Will the Minister for INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state whether any interest is realised on the outstanding balance of Rs. 561 lakhs due to Government from the All India Radio on the 31st March 1951?

THE MINISTER FOR INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (DR. B. V. KESHAR): Yes, Sir; interest of Rs. 5,11,818 for the year 1950-51 on the outstanding balance from All India Radio is included in the amount of Rs. 561 lakhs.

EXPENDITURE INCURRED ON FIVE YEAR PLAN

157. DR. R. P. DUBE: Will the Minister for PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to issue separate Appropriation Accounts and Audit Reports in connection with the annual outlay of the Five Year Plan;

(b) how the progress of outlay against the total budgeted outlay on the Plan is watched at present; and

(c) what are the steps taken by Government to ensure the correctness of the expenditure figures shown in the Progress Reports issued on the Five Year Plan?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR PLANNING (SHRI S. N. MISHRA): (a) No.

(b) The expenditure on several schemes under the Five Year Plan is booked whenever possible under separate heads relating to the Department concerned. The progress of outlay on each of the schemes is, accordingly,