COUNCIL OF STATES

Tuesday, 20th April 1954

The Council met at a quarter past eight of the clock, Mr. Chairman in the Chair.

MEMBER SWORN

Shri Kazi Karimuddin (Madhya Pradesh).

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

ESTABLISHMENT OF KEY VILLAGE CENTRES
BY PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS

*410. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister for FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the conditions on which Government grant financial assistance to private institutions for establishing Centres under the Key Village Scheme?

THE MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE (DR. P. S. DESHMUKH): A statement is placed on the Table of the Council.

Statement

A private institution has to satisfy the following conditions in order to make itself eligible for financial assistance from the Central Government for establishing Key Village Centres.

- 1. The Government of the State where the Key Village Centres are proposed to be started should recommend the name of the private institution to the Central Government.
- 2. The private institution has to give the following undertakings to the State Government.
 - (a) The Institution will fully cooperate in the scheme and agree to utilise the facilities already available to it for the purposes of the Scheme.

- (b) The Institution will confer on the Animal Husbandry Commissioner and the State Department of Animal Husbandry full and unrestricted right of access to records of breeding and milk production for checking their accuracy and for the investigation of pedigrees.
- (c) The Institution will abide by and carry out all instructions for the efficient prosecution of the Scheme issued by the State Department of Animal Husbandry from time to time.
- (d) The Institution will bear a part of the expenditure on the Scheme up to a limit of 50 per cent. of the total cost, if the State Government concerned so desires.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: Are there any States which have not taken assistance from the Government?

DR. P. S. DESHMUKH: Yes; there are, so far as private institutions are concerned.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: What is the amount spent in 1953-54?

DR. P. S. DESHMUKH: If my hon, friend wants the expenditure on private institutions, it comes to Rs. 2,80,772.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: How many Key Centres have been in operation?

DR. P. S. DESHMUKH: So far as private institutions are concerned, 23.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: How many Government Centres have been in operation?

 D_R . P. S. DESHMUKH: The exact figures I have not got. I think it is about 112.

Shri D. NARAYAN: What grants are made for Bombay State for this scheme?

DR. P. S. DESHMUKH: It would be difficult to give separate figures for every State.