

(b) and (c). Yes. A copy of chapter IX of the Draft Indian Foreign Service Rules is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix III, Annexure No. 32.]

DR. RAGHUBIR SINH : May I know, Sir, why Pushtu is not included in the list ?

SHRI A. K. CHANDA : It is a fairly long list and evidently Pushtu is not considered very important for our Foreign Service requirements.

DR. RAGHUBIR SINH : May I know, Sir, who will ordinarily be the authority competent for certifying in these tests ?

SHRI A. K. CHANDA : We have the Defence School of Foreign Languages and the examinations are conducted by that school.

BROADCASTING FACILITIES IN MYSORE.

*144. SHRI M. GOVINDAREDDY : Will the Minister for INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to increase the broadcasting facilities in Mysore ; and

(b) if so, what are the proposals ?

THE MINISTER FOR INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (DR. B. V. KESKAR) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir, by putting up a high power transmitter at Bangalore.

SHRI M. GOVINDA REDDY : Has the Government already taken decision in this matter ?

DR. B. V. KESKAR : Yes, Sir.

SHRI C. G. K. REDDY : When approximately, do the Government think that this high powered station would come into being in Bangalore ?

DR. B. V. KESKAR : As soon as possible. In fact, the site is being chosen. The transmitter is with us.

OIL REFINERIES IN INDIA

"145. SHRI M. GOVINDA REDDY : Will the Minister for PRODUCTION be pleased to state :

(a) the number of oil refineries now working in the country ;

(b) the number of oil refineries which will commence working in 1952, 1953 and 1954 respectively ; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to ensure early commencement of work by new refineries run by oil companies ?

THE MINISTER FOR PRODUCTION (SHRI K. C. REDDY) : (a) One, situated at Digboi in Assam.

(6) Out of the three new refineries proposed to be set up in the country, the earliest is expected to commence operations in the middle of 1954.

(c) The date by which the Standard Vacuum Refinery is expected to go into production has been advanced from 1st January 1953 to 1st July 1954. Government have taken steps to ensure the completion of ancillary services, like roadways, railways, water supply, electricity and dock and harbour facilities, within time. The Burmah Shell Refinery is expected to commence operations on 1st January 1956. Negotiations for the setting up of the third refinery by Caltex are expected to commence in January 1953.

SHRI M. GOVINDA REDDY : May I know if there are any difficulties in the way of these refineries commencing work earlier than 1954. The answer is that in some cases they will be able to commence in 1954. I find from the answer that no refinery will commence work before 1954. What difficulties are there for these refineries to commence work before that.

SHRI K. C. REDDY : It is more for these companies, who have got to set up these refineries, to answer that question. But I may say that they are anxious to go into production as early as possible and in spite

of all the attempts they may make, they nation they have carried out, they feel that those are the earliest dates by prefer Visakhapatnam. which they can go into production.

SHRI B. RATH : How far has the search for crude oil in India made progress ?

SHRI M. GOVINDA REDDY : Is it not a fact that these companies who have undertaken to start these refineries have vested interests and therefore, they are interested in delaying commencement of work ?

SHRI K. C. REDDY : Certain I aero-magnetic surveys have taken place and it has been found that the prospects of our tapping oil are somewhat j rosy. The establishment of a pilot project is in contemplation by the j Standard Vacuum people, and it is I too early to say what exactly the final [results will be.

MR. CHA1FM/N : It is a matter of opinion.

SHRI K. C. REDDY : It is a matter of opinion, Sir, and I am not prepared to accept the opinion of the hon. Member.

SHRI B. RATH : What progress has been made since the last survey by Stand3rd Vacuum Company of the Sunderban area ?

SHRI M. GOVINDA REDDY : Is it not a fact that an officer of the Government of India has been sent to negotiate with Caltex regarding the starting of the refinery ?

SHRI K. C. REDDY : Matters are under negotiation between the company concerned and the Government of West Bengal and the Government of India. These have not been concluded. It is expected that the company will commence its pilot project very soon.

SHRI K. C. REDDY : No officer has been sent abroad to carry on negotiations with Caltex. As I said, negotiations with the Caltex people are expected to commence in January 1953. Some of our officers who have gone abroad may contact Caltex and talk over the matter

SHRI S. MAHANTY : It is a fact that these two companies, Caltex and Standard Vacuum, entered into an agreement stipulating that there should be a certain percentage of Indian directors on the Board of Directors ?

PROF. G. RANGA : Where are these refineries to be installed—the first one and the second one ?

SHRI K. C. REDDY : I have already said in the course of an answer to a question earlier that the inclusion I of Indian directors on the Board of Directors has not been definitely pre- scribed.

SHRI K. C. REDDY : The first one and the second one will be installed in Trombay Island in Bombay State.

PROF. G. RANGA : Both ?

SHRI K. C. REDDY : Yes, the first two.

SHRI S. MAHANTY : Is it a fact that the hon. Finance Minister, while piloting the Bill to amend the Indian Companies Act, stated most categorically and clearly and without any ambiguity that there should be a certain percentage of Indians on the Board of Directors ; and is it a fact that at the construction stage of these projects they have debarred Indians from the Board of Directors ?

PROF. G. RANGA : The first two I will be installed in Trombay. The third one is expected to be installed i in Visakhapatnam. Is that correct ?

SHRI K. C. REDDY : I would like

SHRI K. C. REDDY : I cannot say to verify what the hon. Member definitely now. We have got to take their opinion. But I might as J well say that in the light of the exami-