

to do so I am requesting hon. Members to see to it by themselves, to look into the whole thing and not be very anxious only about their own questions

What I am suggesting is this I am not able to get through more than 18 or 20 questions and a number of questions are elbowed out So far as these questions are concerned, hon. Members must take a view of the entire questions that are brought up for the day Even though their question might come first on the list they may ignore it in favour of more important questions and limit their supplementaries

As regards this question, whether the Government is aware that flood control is very important, who denies it? What is the new light that is thrown by answering that question This need not be answered We will go to the next question

Shri Jaipal Singh: I hope, Sir, you were not serious when you said that you will restrict the supplementaries to one

Mr. Speaker: No, no The hon. Member is well aware that one does not mean one

Shri M. L. Dwivedi: Sir, the Ministers are reading out the replies to the main questions If the replies are supplied to the Members, the time taken by Ministers in reading out the answers may be saved and we will be able to put more supplementaries

Shri D. C. Sharma: Sir, do I take it that nobody will be allowed to put more than one supplementary?

Mr. Speaker: No, no Let us go to the next question

सामुदायिक विकास के लिये प्रविधिक कर्मचारी

*१६०. श्री म० ला० द्विवेदी क्या सामुदायिक विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) क्या भारत सरकार ने सामुदायिक विकास के बढ़ने हुए कार्यक्रम को पूरा करने

के लिये प्रविधिक कर्मचारियों की आवश्यकता का अनुमान लगाया है;

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो सरकार इस आवश्यकता को पूरा करने के लिये क्या उपाय करना चाहती है अथवा कर रही है ,

(ग) क्या सरकार प्रशिक्षण के लिये नई अथवा अधिक सुविधाये देने की किसी योजना पर विचार कर रही है ,

(घ) यदि हा, तो उस योजना की रूप-रेखा क्या है ; और

(ङ) क्या सरकार एक ऐसा विवरण सभा पटल पर रखेगी जिस में यह दिया हुआ हो कि इस सम्बन्ध में क्या क्या पग उठाये जा रहे हैं ?

सामुदायिक विकास यथो (श्री सु० कु० डे) (क) जी हा ।

(ख) कुछ मौजूदा सस्थाओं में अधिक शिक्षा देने के साधन जुटाये जा रहे हैं और कुछ नई सस्थाये जरूरत को पूरा करने के लिये खोली जा रही हैं ,

(ग) जी हा ।

(घ) स्कीमो को तैयार किया जा रहा है ।

(ङ) सदन की मेज पर एक विवरण रखा गया है । [दिल्लिये परिशिष्ट १, अन्वय सहा ५०)

श्री म० ला० द्विवेदी सदन की मेज पर जो विवरण रक्खा गया है उम से यह मालूम होता है कि हमे पञ्चवर्षीय योजना के अन्तर्गत लगभग पाच हजार ऐसे व्यक्तियों की आवश्यकता होगी जिन के लिये टेकनिकल शिक्षा का कोई प्रबन्ध नहीं किया गया है । मैं जानना चाहता हू कि इस कमी को पूरा करने के लिये क्या किया जा रहा है ।

Shri S. K. Dey: Steps are being taken to expand the accommodation of the existing training centres and

also to add more training centres as adequate number of trainers become available

Shri M. L. Dwivedi: May I know if the hon Minister is aware of the fact that overhead expenditure on these personnel in the various community projects is much more than the actual work being done and, if so, may I know if economy is being devised by the Ministry to reduce overhead expenditure so that the actual work done is more than what we spend on technical personnel?

Mr. Speaker: What is the answer that the hon Member wants? The hon Member is suggesting to the Government that they must reduce overhead expenditure, effect economy in expenditure and improve efficiency in work

Shri Ranga: Let them say that they will do so

Mr. Speaker: Are they to say 'No'?

Shri M. L. Dwivedi: Various Ministries have already devised economy measures. Is this Ministry also doing the same thing?

Mr. Speaker: I am afraid, hon Members are going off the mark

Shri S. K. Dey: As far as we know, the staff that has been provided in the blocks represent the barest minimum of technical personnel that is required if the scheme is to be implemented in the spirit in which it was conceived

Mr. Speaker: I do not know how we have been benefited by this answer or by the question. Steps are being taken, that is all

Shri Ranga: They will at least know our temper, that we do not agree with them

Shri Tangamani: In the statement which is laid on the Table it is said that the information is going to be collected. May I know when the information will be collected regarding the number of extension officers who have already undergone training?

Mr. Speaker: If it is collected, it is not ready now

Shri Tangamani: When is it likely to be ready?

Mr. Speaker: I would request hon. Members to consider my suggestion. It is not that I am suggesting it. Yesterday Shri Mohamed Imam asked why I should not devise ways by which more number of questions can be answered on the floor of the House, because people are anxious to know what exactly the views of the Government are on important matters. He suggested that I should restrict the time for each question to one or two minutes. We cannot rigidly restrict it to one or two minutes. I cannot even restrict the number of supplementaries to one. I, therefore, leave it to the Members themselves to select important questions and restrict their supplementaries

Procurement of Steel

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Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Shree Narayan Das.

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No 517 on the 28th May 1957 and state

(a) how far the Procurement Unit of the Railway Board has been successful in obtaining the required steel from foreign countries since the Ministry of Railways took over the work of the steel procurement from the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, and

(b) whether any extra expenditure is involved in this arrangement?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) The Ministry of Railways took over only from 1-4-1957 the procurement through import, of specified steel items, namely track materials. A purchase Mission of the Railway Board was deputed abroad to deal with quotations received in response to a global enquiry. The response to