

**The Minister of Commerce (Shri Karmarkar):** No, Sir.

**Pandit D. N. Tiwary:** May I know whether sometime past licences for the import of Indian jute goods were cancelled by the Turkish Government because of acute shortage of foreign exchange?

**Shri Karmarkar:** So far as jute goods are concerned, I find that during 1955 about 2,700 tons have been passed for shipment.

**Pandit D. N. Tiwary:** May I know whether India has become self-sufficient in jute goods? If not, for what reasons are jute goods being exported?

**Shri Karmarkar:** We have a surplus of jute goods, as my hon. friend ought to know.

**Shri L. N. Mishra:** May I know whether Government are aware of the fact that some European traders in jute have joined together to fight with the Indian jute exports? If so, what steps are Government going to take to face that?

**Shri Karmarkar:** I am aware of all the aspects relating to Turkey. Is the hon. Member speaking with reference to Turkey?

#### Low-income Group Housing Scheme

**\*27. Chaudhri Muhammed Shafie:** Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1647 on the 29th March, 1955 and state the total loan sanctioned and the payments made so far to the Jammu and Kashmir State Government under the Low-income Group Housing Scheme?

**The Minister of Commerce (Shri Karmarkar):** The total loan allocation made so far to the Jammu and Kashmir Government under the Scheme is Rs. 35 Lakhs. The State Government have not yet asked for any payment against this allocation.

**Shri B. N. Mishra:** May I know which are the States where this scheme is in operation and how much the Government have given till now to each of those States?

**Shri Karmarkar:** It is a long list of 24 States. If you permit me, I shall read it.

**Mr. Speaker:** It takes a long time. He may place it on the Table of the House.

#### विदेशों में भारतीय मिशन

**\*२६. श्री को० सी० सोबिया :** क्या प्रधान मंत्री उन देशों के नाम बताने की कृपा

करेंगे जहाँ सरकार निकट भविष्य में अपने राजदूतावास एवं मिशन स्थापित करने का विचार करती है ?

**श्री साहस बख्शी खाँ :** इस विषय में कुछ प्रस्ताव विचाराधीन हैं और कुछ मामलों में सम्बन्धित विदेशी सरकारों से बातचीतें चल रही हैं। ऐसे प्रस्तावों अथवा बातचीतों के बारे में समाचार प्रकट करना अनिष्ट नहीं है।

**श्री को० सी० सोबिया :** दूतावास और मिशन स्थापित करने के लिये कौन कौन सी विशेष बातों पर ध्यान दिया जाता है ?

**श्री साहस बख्शी खाँ :** जितनी बातों का ताल्लुक उस से होता है उन पर ध्यान दिया जाता है।

**Mr. Speaker:** If there is anything of special importance, he may state it.

**Shri Sadath Ali Khan:** Various aspects before opening a Mission in a foreign country are considered, such as trade, cultural relations and diplomatic relations. Everything is taken into consideration.

**श्री को० सी० सोबिया :** व्यापार के लिए जो ट्रेड मिशन खोले गये हैं उनका और जो कटनीतिक दूतावास हैं उनका क्या सम्बन्ध है ?

**Mr. Speaker:** It is going beyond the scope.

**Shri Kamath:** Is there any truth in reports appearing in a section of the Press that Government will shortly establish diplomatic relations with Spain?

**The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru):** The matter before us has been the opening of consular relations with Spain. It may be that in future we may consider the other matter also; at present, it is a consular matter.

#### N.E.F.A.

**\*30. Shri Rishang Keishing:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons who were arrested in Tuensang Division in connection with recent incident in which three Assam Riflemen lost their lives;

(b) the number of tribals other than the residents of the Tuensang Division who were also arrested; and

(c) the number of villagers involved in the said incident?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of External Affairs (Shri J. N. Hazarika):** (a) to (c). The information has been called for from the local authorities and will be placed on the Table of the House when received.

**Shri Rishang Keishing:** Is it a fact that certain areas of the Naga hills and NEFA have been declared as disturbed areas recently and the Government of India have allowed the Assam Government and the NEFA authorities to use regular Indian Armed Forces to suppress the disturbances in those areas?

**The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru):** It is true that certain areas have been described as disturbed areas there, at the instance of the Assam Government.

**Shri Rishang Keishing:** Whether certain areas of NEFA have also been included in the disturbed areas and the Assam Government have been allowed to use the regular Indian Armed Forces to suppress the disturbances in these so-called disturbed areas?

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** If the hon. Member is referring to the Assam Rifles, they are normally stationed there. That is their habitat. The Assam Rifles function in the North East Frontier Agency region as well as round about. They are there, of course, and if necessary, they are used. I do not quite know what particular instance the hon. Member has in mind.

**Mr. Speaker:** The allegation seems to be that they are members of the regular Armed Forces.

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** They are the Assam Rifles which are not the regular Army, but which are, certainly, like the Army.

**Shri Rishang Keishing:** What I am asking is whether any part of NEFA is also included in the disturbed areas. My second question is whether the regular Indian Armed Forces have been allowed to be used in this area.

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** I have to enquire, as I do not know. But normally the Assam Rifles function there.

**Shri Kamath:** What measures have been taken by the Central Government, or have been recommended by the Government, to improve the economic condition of these tribals so as to keep them contented?

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** These measures have been repeatedly stated on the floor of this House in answer to questions and in reports. I can hardly detail them. If I may say so, quite considerable progress has been made. When reference is made to certain disturbed areas, it relates to a very small part rather on the Burma border not to that vast North East Frontier Agency area.

**Shri K. K. Basu:** May we know the causes of disturbance in the small pockets which the Prime Minister just mentioned?

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** The causes may be several, but principally that pocket is rather closely connected geographically with the Naga Hills District and certain disgruntled elements from the Naga Hills District are said to have gone there and created these difficulties.

#### **Low-income Group Housing Scheme**

**\*31. Shri Biren Dutt:** Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Tripura have introduced the Low-income Group Housing Scheme in the State; and

(b) if so, the number of persons who have been given loans since June, 1954 under the Scheme?

**The Minister of Commerce (Shri Karmarkar):** (a) Not yet, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Shri Biren Dutt:** What are the difficulties of introducing this scheme in Tripura?

**Shri Karmarkar:** The difficulty is that the State Government have not sent their scheme yet. They recently asked us to send them model rules and we have sent them the model rules of the Punjab Government.

#### **Rourkela Steel Plant**

**\*32. Shri Sanganna:** Will the Minister of Iron and Steel be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 2651 on the 27th April, 1955 and state:

(a) whether any decision has since been taken in regard to the supply of water to Rourkela Plant; and

(b) if so, the nature thereof?

**The Minister of Commerce and Industry and Iron and Steel (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari):** (a) and (b). Investigations in the matter are still proceeding.

**Shri Sanganna:** May I know whether the hon. Minister has visited the site recently, and if so, whether he has made a thorough study of this aspect of the question?