

under a co-ordinated phased production programme prepared by the Small Industries Service Institute, Ludhiana. The initial approved capacity in the case of each of the four firms is 12,000 Nos. of watches per annum. Three of the firms are in Ludhiana and one in Chandigarh, Punjab. No foreign collaboration is involved in any of these schemes.

Fruit Preservation by Radiation

*911. { Shri Inder J. Malhotra:
shri Bahadur Singh:
Shri N. Ram Negi:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 379 on the 12th August, 1960 and state:

(a) what further research investigations have been carried on "Fruit Preservation by Radiation", by the Atomic Energy Commission;

(b) whether there has been any indication on the basis of the research investigations already carried on that it may be possible to use this method of "preservation of fruits by radiation" on the commercial scale; and

(c) has any attempt been made in this direction?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of External Affairs (Shri Sadh Ali Khan): (a) to (c). A statement giving the required information is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 46].

Loans to States for Housing Schemes

*912. Shakh Mohammad Akbar: Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state the total amount of loans and subsidy proposed to be given to the State Governments during the Third Five Year Plan for their housing programmes and how much of this will be under low-income housing scheme?

The Deputy Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri Anil K.

Chanda): According to discussions in the National Development Council last January, the allocation for Housing in the Third Five Year Plan might be of the order of Rs. 157 crores which includes about Rs. 36 crores for the Low Income Group Housing Scheme. The actual figures will however be known only when the Third Five Year Plan has been finalised.

Unemployment in Orissa

*913. Shri B. C. Mullick: Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

(a) whether any special steps have been taken to provide employment to the people of Orissa affected by the devastating floods in August, 1960;

(b) if so, the number of such flood stricken people registered (district-wise) with the Employment Exchange so far; and

(c) the total number of people employed out of the registered roll?

The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali): (a) to (c). The subject being within the State sphere, the required information is not readily available.

दक्षिण अफ्रीका में भारतीय

*९१४. श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दक्षिण अफ्रीका की सरकार अपनी संसद में एक विधेयक पेश कर रही है जिस से नवविवाहिता वधुओं का अपने पतियों के साथ दक्षिण अफ्रीका जाना निषिद्ध कर दिया जायेगा ;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि दक्षिण अफ्रीका की सरकार समय-समय पर ऐसे भारत-विरोधी विधान बनाती रही है ; और

(ग) क्या भारत सरकार ने दक्षिण