THEI BIHAR LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY DEBATES.

Thursday, the 11th July, 1946.

Proceedings of the Bihar Legislative Assembly assembled under the provisions of the Government of India Act, 1935.

The Assembly met in the Assembly Chamber at Patna on Thursday the 11th July, 1946, at 11-30 a. M., the Hon'ble the Speaker, Mr Vindhyeshvwari Prasada Varma, in the Chair.

CONDOLENCE ON THE DEATH OF MR. HARE KRISHNAC HOUDARY, A MEMBER OF THE OLD BIHAR AND ORISSA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The Hon'bie the SPEAKER: It is my painful duty today to refer to the sad death of Mr. Hare Krishna Choudhry, a member of the old Bihar and Orissa Legislative Council from the North-West Darbhanga Non-Muhammadan Constituency. This melancholy event took place on the 3rd of this month. The deceased was held in high esteem by all classes of people and was noted for the great qualities of his head and heart. He used to take keen interest in the proceedings of the Council and his death is a distinct loss to the province. With the consent of the hon'ble members, I should like to convey to the members of the bereaved family a message of condolence and sympathy and as a mark of respect the hon'ble members will kindly signify their assent by rising in their seats.

(All hon'ble members rose in their seats.)

SHORT NOTICE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STORES SUPPLIED TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIES.

- •43. Mr. HIRALAL SARAF: Will the Hon'ble Minister Incharge of Industries be pleased to state—
 - (a) the value of the stores supplied through the Department of Industries to the Government of India during the last four years;
 - (b) if it is a fact that the Department of Industries set up various organisations for the supply of the above stores from rural areas through small cottage workers;
 - (c) if the reply to clauses (a) and (b) be in the affirmative, what steps have been taken to keep those organisations alive after further supplies to Government of India have been discontinued;
 - (d) if Government are aware that there will be huge saving to Government and at the same time will happen developments of cottage industries, if the purchase of their product is assured by Government through a full-fledged store purchase department;

^{*}In the absence of the questioner, answer was given at the request of Mr. Gauri Shankar Dalmia.

Mr. HARI KISHORE PRASAD: Arising out of (b), how much time is required for this?

The Hon'ble Mr. KRISHNA BALLABH SAHAY: Governmen cannot give any indication, Sir; but they will expedite the matter. They however, cannot give any exact date.

ADVANCE OF LOADS TO THE PEOPLE OF CHAMPARAN FOR SAND CLEARANCE AFTER THE EARTHQUAKE OF 1934.

- 228. Mr. GANESH PRASAD SAH: Will the Hon'ble Minister' in charge of the Finance Department be pleased to state—
- (a) whether it is a fact that some loan was advanced to the people of Champaran after the earthquake of 1934 for clearance of sand from their fields;
- (b) if the answer to clause (a) be in the affirmative, will Government state what amount was advanced and what has been realised up to 31st March 1946 and the amount still due to be realised;
- (c) whether it is a fact that in some cases more than double the amount has been realised and still dues stand against their names?

The Hon'ble Mr. KRISHNA BALLABH SAHAY: (a) The answer is in the affirmative.

- (b) (i) Sum advanced—Rs. 10,74,718.
 - (ii) Sum realised up to 31st March 1946-Rs. 9,98,861-13-4
 - (iii) Sum still remaining to be realised—Rs. 75,856-2-8.
- (c) The answer is in the negative.

SELECTION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIPS TO MEDICAL PERSONNEL FOR POST-GRADUATE TRAINING ABBOAD.

- 229. Mr. TAJAMUL HUSAIN: Will the Hon'ble Minister in charge of the Local Self-Government be pleased to state—
- (a) if their attention has been drawn to a report which appeared in a local daily, dated the 29th May, 1946, and another report appearing in the same paper on the 31st May, 1946, to the effect that Government have failed to infrom the medical men of the province or the Provincial Medical Association or to advertise that they intend to send eight medical men for higher studies abroad in accordance with the scheme of the Government of India to send out sixty medical men this year from the whole of India;
- (b) if the answer to clause (a) be in the affirmative, the steps, if any, they intend to take now?

The Hon'ble Pandit BINODANANDA JHA: (a) The answer is in the affirmative.

(b) Due publicity was given to the scheme. It was advertised in the local press and the Provincial Medical Association was informed at the time when applications were invited.