THE BIHAR LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY DEBATES.

Saturday, the 3rd April, 1948.

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 Saturday the 3rd April, 1948, at 11 A.M., the Hon'ble Mr. Vindhyeshvwari Prasadu, Varma in the Chair.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

PERIOD OF POSTING OF SUB-INSPECTORS OF POLICE IN THE DISTRICT OF PURNEA.

101. Mr. JAINARAYAN VENEET: Will the Hon'ble the Prime Minister be pleased to state—

- (a) whether it is a fact that the term of three years for which every Sub-Inspector of Police was deputed to the district of Purnea under Government instructions, has recently been extended to a term of five years;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the Sub-Inspectors of Police who were posted to the District of Purnea under three years' term have not been transferred from the district on the expiry of their term;
- (c) if the answer to clause (b) be in the affirmative, the reasons thereof?

The Hon'ble Dr. SRI KRISHNA SINHA: (a) The answer is in the affirmative. The term has been extended from two years to five years by the Inspector-General of Police because climatic conditions have improved since the earthquake of 1934. Most police-stations have shown decrease in the incidence of sickness.

- (b) The answer is in the affirmative except for a few cases arising out of exigencies of service.
 - (c) Answer to the preceding clauses may be referred to,

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The Honble Mr. KRISHNA BALLASH SAHAY. Instructions will be issued to the Deputy Commissioners and District Magistrates of those districts where crops are descreyed by wild animals.

Mr. JADUBANS SAHAY: Are Government aware that the aboriginals who were granted guns could not get guns? There are about 200 guns in the Government Treasury Do Government propose to release them to the aboriginal people who are holding licence?

The Hon'ble Mr. KRISHNA BALLABH SAHAY: My information was, Sir, that these licences to aboriginals were granted. Muzzle-loading guns were not available. Instructions will be issued to the Deputy Commissioners and the District Mugistrates concerned to issue licences. If muzzle loading guns are lying in the Treasury, certainly they will be released to the people.

FAILURB OF PADDY CROPS IN THE NON-CANAL AREAS OF THE KHASMAHAL VILLAGES IN THE BASARAM SUBDIVISION.

- 106. Mr. JAGANNATH SINGH: Will the Hon'ble Minister in ...
- (a) whether it is a fact that there has been a total failure of the paddy crops in the non-canal areas of the Khasmahal villages in the Sasaram subdivision;
- (b) whether it is a fact that actual conditions bordering to famine, are prevailing in many Khasmahal villages in the Sasaram subdivision;
- (c) if the answer to clauses (a) and (b) be in the affirmative; the amount of rent that is going to be remitted in each village affording the much needed relief to tenantry?

The Hon'ble Mr. KRISHNA BALLABH SAHAY: (a) No it is reported that there has been partial failure in some villages.

- (b) The answer is in the negative. Scarcity of foodgrains in some of the villages exist, as in many other areas.
- (c) The matter will be considered on receipt of reports from the local officers.

Mr. JAGANNATH SINGH: Arising out of (b), will Government consider the desirability of sanctioning remission where there has been partial failure of the paddy crops?

The Mon'ble Mr. KRISHNA BALLASH SAHAY: The answer is in the affirmative. Government will not only sanction remission but they are prepared to give help of other kinds also. Government will grant famine grant if people require it. Government will also give agricultural loan. But I would suggest to the hon'ble member to make local enquiries and send a report to me when I shall be able to help him.