

Mr. S. P. O'Donnell : (a) The Government of India have no information. The Honourable Member should address the Local Governments concerned.

(b) Not so far as the Government of India are concerned.

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TYPHUS IN POLAND.

116. **Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas :** (a) Was India invited by the Council of the League of Nations to contribute towards expenses of the campaign against Typhus in Poland ?

(b) What is the amount of the contribution, if any, which the Government have decided to give in response to that appeal ?

(c) What is the amount similarly contributed by each of the nations to whom the appeal was made ?

Mr. H. Sharp : (a) Yes.

(b) Owing to the existing financial conditions, the Government of India have decided that no contribution can be made from general revenues. But they have recently issued a Press Communiqué inviting private subscriptions.

(c) A statement is laid on the table giving such information as the Government of India have on the subject.

Statement showing the contributions made by other nations towards typhus epidemic in Poland:

France (on condition that three other countries subscribe a like amount)	£	50,000
England (as an instalment without prejudice to amount of final contribution)	£	50,000
Canada	Dollars	200,000
Spain (conditional)	£	40,000
Belgium	£	1,000
Greece	£	10,000
Persia	£	2,000
Bulgaria	£	27
Siam	£	1,000
Germany	Paper Marks	1,000,000
Austria	Kronen	100,000
Holland (an initial payment when Great Britain has also contributed her initial payment)	Florins	100,000
Japan	Francs	100,000
Switzerland	"	50,000

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

117. **Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas :** With reference to the statement in the Journal of the League of Nations on page 141 of its June number, that in fixing the proportions of the expenses to be paid by each country towards the Secretariat of the League, countries must be divided into seven classes, according to their size and population, and that each country, according to its class, is charged with a certain number of units, will the Government state in which class India is placed ; and what is the contribution she has to make ?

The Honourable Dr. T. B. Saprú : India is placed in the first class and is liable for 25 units of contribution. As an original Member of

the League of Nations, her share has been £16,234 towards the first 'budget of the League, viz., during the Organisation period ending 30th June 1920, and £28,786 towards the second budget which covers the period from 1st July 1920 to 31st December 1920.

The subject of classification is under reconsideration.

Extract from pages 141-142 of the Official Journal of the League of Nations, No. 4, for June 1920.

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Having dealt with expenditure, receipts must now be considered.

In determining their amount we must conform to the terms of the last paragraph of Article 6 of the Covenant, which runs as follows:

'The expenses of the Secretariat shall be borne by the Members of the League in accordance with the apportionment of the expenses of the International Bureau of the Universal Postal Union.'

In fixing this proportion, countries must be divided into seven classes, according to their size and population. Each country, according to its class, is charged with a certain number of units. Thus:

1st class	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	25 units.
2nd class	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	20 units.
3rd class	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15 units.
4th class	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10 units.
5th class	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 units.
6th class	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3 units.
7th class	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1 unit.

These co-efficients are multiplied by the number of countries in each class, and, the total thus obtained gives the number of units by which the total expenses must be divided. The result of this division gives the amount of each unit.

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If the expenses incurred up to the 31st March 1920, and the estimates for the months of April, May, and June be divided amongst the original Members of the League, and the countries invited to accede, in accordance with the proportions laid down above and the memorandum of the Secretariat, the following results are obtained:

	No. of units.	Total.
Original Members	395	£ 256,494
Countries invited to accede to the Covenant	112	72,720
	<u>507</u>	<u>329,223</u>

PROVINCIAL MINISTERS.

118. Khan Bahadur Sarfaraz Hussain Khan: Will the Government be pleased to state if the number of Ministers appointed in the different