

[25th August 1924]

Mr. A. L. INGLIS : (a) Yes, in addition to the Sardaipur-Gop road. They are three of the main arteries of the Orissa Trunk road which runs through the middle of the sadr subdivision.

(b) Yes, as is shown by the flood water that they hold up.

(c) There are some water channels in the sadr subdivision which have now silted up.

VIEWS ON THE WORKING OF THE REFORMS SCHEME.

125. Babu CHANDIPAT SAHAY : Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) if they have concluded their examination of the working of the Reforms in connection with the reference made to them by the Government of India, consequent on the appointment by them of the Reforms Enquiry Committee ;

(b) if non-official opinion as represented by the members of the Council and other publicists was consulted by them, at any stage of their consideration of the matter, and if so, to what extent ?

Mr. E. L. L. HAMMOND : (a) Yes.

(b) The member is referred to the reply given to question no. 30(b) and (c) asked by Babu Krishna Ballabh Sahay.

ANNUAL STATEMENT RELATING TO THE EMPLOYMENT OF MUHAMMADAN IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE.

126. Maulavi SAIYID TAJAMUL ALI : Do the Government propose to reconsider the restoration of the prescribed statement showing the employment of Muhammadans in each district which has recently been withdrawn ? Are Government aware that the Muhammadan public looked upon the statement as a measure of the interest taken by Government in the matter of the employment of Muhammadans in Government offices ?

Mr. E. L. L. HAMMOND : In 1922 when the statement after full consideration was abolished, the Commissioners of Divisions were informed that while the past returns showed that