

## SETTLEMENT OF GANGABARAR, LAND etc., IN SHAHABAD.

219. Swami VIDYANAND *alias* BISHVA BHARAN PRASHAD: (a) Are Government aware that some "Ganga-barar" land has been found culturable in the district of Shahabad and new settlement is under contemplation?

(b) Will the Government be pleased to state (i) the actual area of land found culturable and the methods adopted by the District Magistrate of Shahabad for the new settlement, (ii) how many applications have been received from the people of the locality where such land has been found, (iii) the occupation of every applicant who has applied for such settlement?

220. SWAMI VIDYANAND *alias* BISHVA BHARAN PRASHAD: (a) Is it a fact that a certain zamindar of Barahampur in the district of Shahabad has been made an honorary magistrate though he does not possess any knowledge of English?

(b) Will the Government be pleased to state their policy in regard to the appointment of honorary magistrates?

(c) Is it a fact that the said zamindar of Barahampur who has been recently made an honorary magistrate has been promised settlement of several hundred bighas of "Ganga-barar" land on nominal rent by the District Magistrate of Shahabad?

(d) Will the Government be pleased to state whether applications for settlement of the said land have been received from the tenants of the locality?

219. Mr. J. A. HUBBACK: (a) Government have no information, except that there is a proposal to have a survey and resettlement of Salempur Diara Government estate.

(b) If the hon'ble member will indicate precisely to what part of the district of Shahabad he refers, inquiries will be made.

220. Mr. J. A. HUBBACK: (a) Yes.

(b) The present policy of Government is to give preference to gentlemen acquainted with English but as the nomination of gentlemen referred to above was received by Government before the adoption of that policy, the nomination was accepted.

(c) and (d) Government have no information, but will make inquiries.