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in each case. To attempt to disseminate knowledge of these improvements without careful supervision may do more harm than good. For instance, if a new variety of paddy is sown on land not suited to it, or manure is applied in the wrong way, poor results may be obtained, and in the latter case the plants may even be killed. Government is training a subordinate staff as quickly as possible, but more superior staff will probably be required in the near future.

#### INDIANIZATION OF THE AGRICULTURAL SERVICE.

116. Rai Bahadur LACHMI PRASHAD SINHA : (a) Is it a fact that the last Royal Commission on the Public Service in agriculture in India recommended that all Agricultural services in India should be Indianized ?

(b) If so, will Government be pleased to state what steps have the Government of Bihar and Orissa taken, or are contemplating to take, to give effect to that recommendation ?

Mr. B. A. COLLINS : (a) If the reference is to the Royal Commission on the superior civil services in India, the answer is in the negative. The Commission recommended that no further recruitment should be made to the Indian Agricultural Service, and that the personnel required for this branch of the administration should in future be recruited and appointed by local Governments, with whom it should rest to determine the number of Europeans to be recruited.

(b) No further appointments have been made to the Indian Agricultural Service since that report was written

Babu GUR SAHAY LAL : Did the Government of Bihar and Orissa accept the recommendation that all Agricultural Services in this province should be Indianised ?

Mr. B. A. COLLINS : No such recommendation was made.

#### EXPENDITURE ON INDUSTRIAL AND AGRICULTURAL IMPROVEMENT.

117. Rai Bahadur LACHMI PRASHAD SINHA : Will Government be pleased—

(a) to lay on the table a statement showing the amount spent during the last ten years for industrial and agricultural improvements in each district separately ; and