

[R. B. Dwarka Nath.]

Rai Bahadur DWARKA NATH: Will Government be pleased to state, whether the areas in which compensation is being realized were proclaimed before the riots or after the riots?

Mr H. K. BRISCOE: After, I think, in all cases.

Rai Bahadur DWARKA NATH: Will Government be pleased to state whether these realizations in areas in which no proclamation was issued before the riots are legal?

The Hon'ble the PRESIDENT: Order, order. I disallow this question.

Rai Babadur DWARKA NATH: Have Government taken legal opinion on the question of legality or otherwise of realizing compensation in areas where no proclamation was issued before the riots?

Mr. H. K. BRISCOE: The answer is in the affirmative.

Rai Bahadur DWARKA NATH: Are Government aware that cases have been instituted at Bettiah contesting the legality of the whole thing?

Mr. H. K. BRISCOE: The answer is in the affirmative.

Rai BRIJ RAJ KRISHNA: Will Government be pleased to lay on the table a copy of the legal opinion which they have obtained in the matter?

Mr. H. K. BRISCOE: The answer is in the negative.

QUARTERING OF ADDITIONAL POLICE.

78. Babu RAMESHVAR PRASHAD DUTT: Will Government be pleased to state—

- (a) the places in this province where additional police has been quartered and the date on which they were posted and the period for which they will remain stationed there;
- (b) the number of officers and men posted in each place and the monthly cost, as well as the initial cost of keeping them;
- (c) how the cost of their maintenance has been realized and the principle on which the assessment has been made;
- (d) whether any individuals or communities have been exempted from the payment of the cost, and if so, for what reasons.

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Mr. H. K. BRISCOE : (a), (b) and (c). The member is referred to the answer given to questions nos. 76 and 77 asked by Rai Bahadur Dwarka Nath.

(d) The information is detailed below :—

(i) additional police in villages Telgi and Kharik in Bihpur, police-station Bhagalpur.

The following exemptions have been sanctioned :—

(a) The inhabitants of the portion of Tola Mirjafri which falls within mauza Telgi because the residents of this tola had taken no part in the acts of violence which necessitated the additional police.

(b) Five chaukidars who reside within the proclaimed area.

(c) 39 individuals on the ground of genuine inability to pay.

(ii) Additional police at certain villages in Tajpur police-station in Darbhanga and in Patepur and Shakra police-stations in Muzaffarpur.

The Muhammadan inhabitants of the proclaimed area on the ground that they were the party attacked.

(iii) Additional police at certain villages in Jhanjharpur, Khajuli and Phulparas police-stations in the district of Darbhanga.

(a) The Muhammadans residing in the proclaimed area, on the ground that they were the party attacked and their properties were burnt.

(b) The Goals of Polartola in village Madrea and one other Hindu of the same village, as they gave shelter to Muhammadan sufferers.

RESOLUTION.

CONSTITUTION OF A COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL TO WORK WITH THE INDIAN STATUTORY COMMISSION—(contd.)

Rai BRIJ RAJ KRISHNA : Sir, at the very outset of my speech I would like to repudiate the suggestion, made by the Hon'ble the Leader of the House yesterday, that, if there had been no party obligation, the Council as a whole would have responded to the invitation to elect a Committee to work with the Commission. Sir, I know it for a fact that it is not so—I had