

(൨) അവർ ഏതെല്ലാം ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെന്റുകളിലാണെന്നും ഇപ്പോൾ വാങ്ങുന്ന ശമ്പളം എത്രവീതമാണെന്നും സഭയ്ക്ക് പ്രസ്താവിക്കുമോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. എസ്സ്. നാരായണൻ (Secretary to Government).—

(൧) and (൨) അനുബന്ധം നോക്കുക (Appendix II).

Regarding the amount spent for the purchase of stores to meet the requirements of the various departments.

355. Mr. K. M. Kunhi Moideen (Kattur).—Will the Government state:—

(a) the approximate amount annually spent for the purchase of stores to meet the requirements of the various departments;

(b) whether they have constituted any central agency to make the purchase co-ordinate, efficient and economic?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar (Secretary to Government).—

(a) Rs. 3,76,740—8—0.

(b) No; but the question of efficiency and economy is never lost sight of in making the purchases.

Mr. K. Kunhi Moideen (Kattur).—Will the Government kindly inform the House whether in making these purchases the Government have approached the Government of India Stores Department.

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar (Secretary to Government).—It is not found necessary because our present system is working satisfactorily and economically.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim (Cranganur).—Has not the establishment of a central agency resulted in more efficiency and economy elsewhere?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar (Secretary to Government).—It is a matter of opinion.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim (Cranganur).—I am asking for the information of Government whether they have noted that the establishment of a central agency has worked more efficiently elsewhere.

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar (Secretary to Government).—They are not in a position to say that.

Mr. K. M. Kunhi Moideen (Kattur).—May I know what portion of the articles purchased is made in India?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar (Secretary to Government).—Perference is always given to goods manufactured in India. It is only in exceptional cases that foreign made articles are purchased, for instance I can say with regard to stationery articles.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim (Cranganur).—Are swadeshi things preferred in this connection?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar (Secretary to Government).—Yes.

Mr. K. M. Kunhi Moideen (Kattur).—Are the Government aware that a central agency has been formed in Travancore recently for the purchase of stores?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar (Secretary to Government).—Yes; I am aware.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim (Cranganur).—Then why did the Hon'ble Member say that he was not in a position to say that elsewhere it was working satisfactorily? (Loud laughter)

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar (Secretary to Government).—I am aware of it as a physical fact just as we are all here today.

**Nuisance caused by the night-soil dumping ground
belonging to the Trichur Municipality—
complaint regarding—**

356. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar (Urakam).—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether they have received any complaint from the inhabitants of the Aranattukara village against the nuisance caused by the night-soil dumping ground belonging to the Trichur Municipality in Lalur;

(2) if so, what action they have taken in the matter?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (Joint Secretary to Government).—(1) Yes.

(2) Government have accepted the proposal of the Trichur Municipal Council to shift the dumping ground to another place.