

SECOND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

- \*1. Tuan Edmund Langgu anak Saga: To ask the Minister of National and Rural Development to state whether the post of Penyelia Sekolah Dewasa is a temporary or a permanent post.
- \*2. Tuan Edmund Langgu anak Saga: To ask the Minister of Finance to state:
- (a) how much development fund has been allocated to each Malaysian State for the year of 1968;
  - (b) how much development fund spent by each State in 1967;
  - (c) which State got the most and why;
  - (d) which is the most developed State; and
  - (e) how much development fund has been unspent and refunded by the State of Sarawak since its entry to Malaysia.
- \*3. Tuan Edmund Langgu anak Saga: To ask the Minister of Finance whether Sarawak can get the amount of unspent money that has been allocated to Sarawak for the year of 1966 and 1967 in this year, so as to enable the State to implement all the outstanding projects there.
- \*4. Tuan Tai Kuan Yang: To ask the Minister of Works, Posts and Telecommunications why it has taken such a long time for an automatic exchange system to be installed in Kulim Town, and to state when such a project will be carried out.
- \*5. Tengku Zaid bin Tengku Ahmad: To ask the Minister of Transport to state whether he is aware of the fact that the M.S.A. West Malaysia Area Manager has no decision-making power because the Manager - Lines Station, Mr. Lee Shu Pak overrides all Malaysian decisions even though the post of Area Manager was created to cover West Malaysia, and if so, whether he would enlighten the House on this illogical arrangement.

- \*6. Tengku Zaid bin Tengku Ahmad: To ask the Minister of Transport to state whether he is aware of the fact that M.S.A. Singapore division keeps all cheque books of the Malaysian accounts in Singapore and Singapore Office has the right to withdraw from Malaysian Accounts without informing the Kuala Lumpur Office, and if so, whether he agrees that it is ridiculous and unprofitable that Singapore Office is given the right to spend the earnings of M.S.A. in Malaysia without first informing Kuala Lumpur Office.
- \*7. Tuan Haji Abu Bakar bin Hamzah: To ask the Minister of Transport to state (a) the events leading to the forced landing of an M.S.A. plane at Kuala Kerai in December, 1967 which nearly had fatal consequences to the passengers; (b) whether prior to the flight the plane was subjected to safety checks and found to be in operation order; (c) whether the plane is still in service and if it is air worthy.
- \*8. Tuan Haji Abu Bakar bin Hamzah: To ask the Minister of Transport to state when Government will consider allowing the Pakistan Airlines to establish an office in Malaysia.
- \*9. Tuan Haji Abu Bakar bin Hamzah: To ask the Minister of Transport if he is aware that the M.S.A. office in Beirut is lacking in information materials, if so, to state the steps the Ministry has taken to remedy the situation.
- \*10. Tuan Edwin anak Tangkun: To ask the Minister of Education whether he is aware that there is a decline in school attendance under District Councils in Sarawak this year, and whether any steps have been taken to investigate the matter, and if any, what are the results of the investigation.
- \*11. Dr. Tan Chee Khoon: To ask the Minister of Education to state the reasons for the transfer of about 200 teachers within the State of Johore and in particular of 17 teachers from the Abu Bakar Secondary School, Temerloh and whether he is aware that such movements of teachers cost money commodity which is in short supply in his Ministry.
- \*12. Dr. Tan Chee Khoon: To ask the Minister of Education to state (a) if he is aware that the question of extra-mural activities was discussed by the teachers unions with the Aziz Commission, and if so, why he has jumped the gun by imposing this extra work load on teachers this year; (b) whether he is not trying to prejudge the issue and whether it would not be better to await the recommendations of the Aziz Commission on this matter.

- \*13. Tuan Ganing bin Jangkat: To ask the Minister of Education to state;
- (a) in view of the present high cost of school text books, whether he will see to it that the poor can buy them at lower prices than the prevailing prices.
  - (b) whether he can give an assurance that there will be no rise in the rates of school fees in Sabah, as has happened in West Malaysia.
- \*14. Tuan Tai Kuan Yang: To ask the Minister of Commerce and Industry to state why the overhead High Tension Lines across public roads in two specific areas
- (i) the Tikam Batu to Sungai Patani Road, Kedah;
  - (ii) Slim River to Kuala Lumpur Road, are not given the necessary and proper safeguards.
- \*15. Tuan Ahmad bin Arshad: To ask the Minister of Commerce and Industry to state:
- (a) since Independence the number of native businessmen in the country who have applied for import and export licenses either privately or on co-operative basis, the number of applications approved, the number rejected and the reasons;
  - (b) whether the Government is prepared to set aside a quota for the native businessmen and industrialists in the country.
- \*16. Tuan Ahmad bin Arshad: To ask the Minister of Commerce and Industry to state whether he is aware that there is a conspiracy in the country engaged in adulterating foodstuffs like coffee, rice, curry and cigarettes with opium and other drugs, if so, to state the action taken and the results; and whether it was ascertained that foodstuffs adulterated with these articles find a ready market and are favoured by the public.
- \*17. Tuan Ahmad bin Arshad: To ask the Minister of Commerce and Industry in view of the fact that the large sums of money amounting to 85 million dollars were collected by the Rubber Replanting Board in Fund "B" and "64" in 1966, to state whether the Ministry would examine and consider giving aids known as "Emergency Relief" to small-holders whose rubber-holdings have been destroyed by natural disasters such as fire, hurricane and flood; and if not why.
- \*18. Tuan Ganing bin Jangkat: To ask the Minister of Information and Broadcasting, in view of the limited time allotted by Radio Malaysia Sabah, to the programme in the Bajau language, to state whether he will take action to allot half an hour or more for this programme.

- \*19. Dr. Tan Chee Khoon: To ask the Minister of Lands and Mines to state if he is aware of the accusation of political interference in service matters by the President of the Union of Forest Employees, Enche' Yacob bin Ibrahim at the 7th Annual Delegates Conference of the Union on 18th November, 1967, and in that the Union had protested at the re-transfer back to Kuala Lumpur of Enche Abdul Wahab bin Buroh, Timber Inspector, and if so, whether he proposes to take any action on this matter.

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ORDER OF THE DAY

1. (DR. 2/68) The Supply Bill 1968 - Committee of Supply.  
(Seventh Allotted Day.)

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