

The fields of study include agriculture, road and bridge construction, hydro-electric power development, public administration, social welfare and medicine. Of the total of sixty awards, twenty-five have been allocated to India, fifteen to Pakistan, ten to Ceylon, and ten to non-commonwealth countries which are members of the Council. Fourteen scholars and fellows from India have already arrived in Canada, fourteen from Pakistan and six from Ceylon. The others are expected to arrive by the end of December.

Secondly, Canada has received three technical Missions from India and Pakistan, one on highway and bridge construction, one on agriculture and one on hydro-electric power development. These three Missions, composed of approximately six senior government officials from India and three from Pakistan, have been conducted across Canada on tours, arranged by the appropriate Departments in Ottawa, in close co-operation with the governments of the various provinces.

Thirdly, Canadian technicians have been sent to countries, members of the Council for Technical Co-operation, which request aid through the Technical Co-operation Bureau in Colombo. Already in Ceylon, at the request of the Ceylonese Government, is an expert fisheries consultant from British Columbia, who will help develop the fishing industry in Ceylon. He will shortly be joined by a refrigeration engineer.

Requests covering a wide field of studies have been received and already progress has been made in providing the training requested. It is anticipated that as the extent of Canada's facilities becomes more widely known the number of Asians coming to Canada will be greatly increased.

ESTABLISHMENT OF CANADIAN GOVERNMENT SERVICE TO HANDLE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES

To co-ordinate all Canadian activities in the sphere of technical assistance of "Technical Assistance Service" was set up in the Department of Trade and Commerce in December 1950. However, as the scope of Canada's contribution to the Colombo Plan for Co-operative Economic Development, to which the Government of Canada has allocated 25 million dollars for the first year, and as the manner in which Canada could most effectively contribute technical assistance to both the United Nations Expanded Programme and the Colombo Programme became more apparent, a new Division known as the "International Economic and Technical Co-operation Division" was established in the Department of Trade and Commerce. This Division, which has absorbed the functions of the Technical Assistance Service, will be responsible for all Canadian commitments with regard to the Economic Development aspect of the Colombo Plan, the Programme for Technical Co-operation in South and South-East Asia, and United Nations technical assistance programmes.

Mr. R.G. Nick Cavell of Toronto, a former Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Canadian Institute for International Affairs and an internationally known business man, with many years' experience in the Far East, has been appointed administrator of this Division. Through Mr. Cavell and his Division it is hoped to put to the most