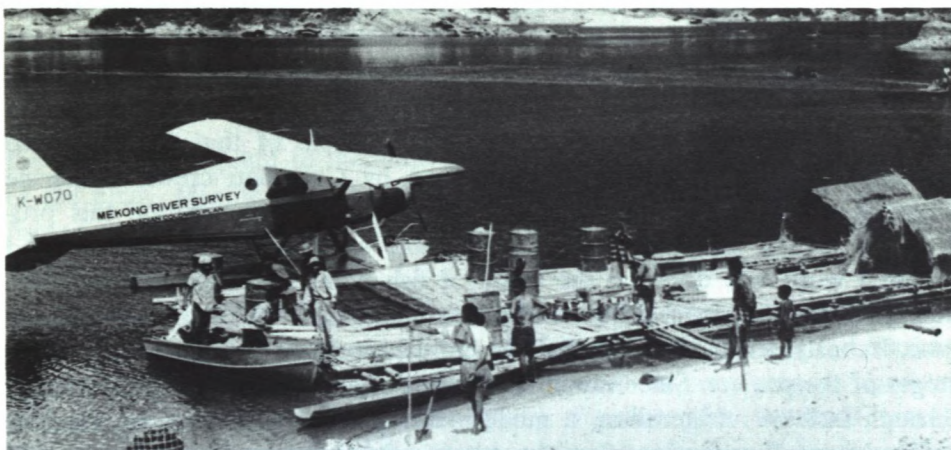


A Canadian technician operates a recorder in an aircraft during the Mekong River Survey, conducted as part of Canada's contribution to the Colombo Plan.



Resources Surveys

The techniques of surveying and mapping from the air as a basis for utilizing natural resources are well developed in Canada, and aerial surveys have figured prominently in the Canadian capital aid programme. Ceylon, India, Pakistan and Malaya have all received Canadian help in carrying out aerial surveys which they needed in order to determine more accurately their mineral and soil resources. In South-East Asia, Canada has carried out an aerial survey of a large part of the Mekong River as a part of its Colombo Plan assistance to Cambodia, Laos, Thailand and South Vietnam. These four countries, which share the Lower Basin of the Mekong, are engaged in the preliminary stages of a programme originated by the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East for developing the resources of this great river.



Canadian aircraft delivering supplies to a field party at confluence of Nam Ca Dinh and Mekong Rivers.