

(b) The verandah outside the booking office and the platform are completely covered which serves as waiting accommodation for III class passengers. Necessary benches have also been provided for the use of passengers. These facilities are considered adequate for III class passenger traffic obtaining at this station at present

#### Slaughter Houses

2472. Shrimati Ra Palohoudhuri: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of India's attention has been drawn to a news appearing in the 'Pioneer' of Lucknow dated the 28th March, 1959 to the effect that slaughter houses in the United States can now ensure a painless death for livestock, and

(b) if so, whether Government of India have taken steps to get a detailed account of the process with a view to introduce it in this country?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) Yes

(b) Steps have been taken to obtain information about the new process through the Indian Embassy

#### पारसल डिब्बे में प्राग

३४७३. श्री अक्षय बहानं क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि ७ मार्च, १९५९ को जब बनारस से लखनऊ जाने वाली पैसेंजर गाडी मिर्जापुर स्टेशन पर पहुंची, तब गाड के पीछे जुड़े हुए पारसलो के डिब्बे में प्राग लगी हुई पाई गई,

(ख) यदि हा, तो उस सम्बन्ध में रेलवे कर्मचारियों द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही की गई,

(ग) उस प्राग से रेलवे को कितनी हानि हुई और कितने व्यक्तियों के पारसलो को क्षति पहुंची ;

(क) सर्वोच्च व्यक्तियों की कितना नुमायजा दिया गया, और

(ख) उस दुर्घटना के सिधे उत्तरदायी रेलवे कर्मचारियों प्रथमा अन्य व्यक्तियों को क्या दण्ड दिया गया ?

रेलवे उपमंत्री (श्री सै० जे० रावस्वामी):

(क) जी नहीं।

(ख) से (क) सम्बन्ध नहीं उठता।

#### Soil Conservation Measures in D.V.C. Area

3474. Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state:

(a) whether the programme of soil conservation measures in the Damodar Valley Corporation area has been formulated, and

(b) if so, the main features of the programme?

The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Hathi): (a) and (b) The Damodar Valley Corporation are executing the following soil conservation schemes:

- (i) Afforestation of 25,000 acres of catchment area
- (ii) Soil survey and planning;
- (iii) Soil Conservation Demonstration Scheme;
- (iv) Soil Conservation Engineering Works,
- (v) Soil Conservation scheme in Upper Sewani catchment

The question of soil conservation measures in the Damodar Valley area was discussed at the Conference of the Participating Governments held in New Delhi in the first week of April, 1959. The Conference accepted the importance of soil conservation measures and assured that adequate funds shall be provided for the purpose. The Damodar Valley Corporation was asked to formulate a concrete programme in this regard