

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Chief Ministers of Andhra Pradesh and Orissa are scheduled to meet Member (Natural Resources), Planning Commission, in the second week of August, 1962 to discuss the matter. It is hoped that some settlement will be arrived at in this meeting.

**Food Poisoning Cases in Assam and West Bengal**

- \*88. { Shri Raghunath Singh:
- { Shri Indrajit Gupta:
- { Shri Hem Barua:
- { Dr. L. M. Singhvi:
- { Shri Yashpal Singh:
- { Shri S. M. Banerjee:
- { Shri P. C. Borooah:
- { Shri A. N. Vidyalankar:
- { Shri Tridib Kumar
- { Chaudhuri:

Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state whether a mystery disease of paralysis is spreading rapidly in Assam and West Bengal tolling heavy loss of life due to contaminated flour with triorthocresyl phosphate?

**The Minister of Health (Dr. Sushila Nayar):** 450 cases of a disease crippling the patients by paralytic action of lower limbs occurred in Malda and Dinajpur Districts of West Bengal from the first week of April upto the 19th June, 1962. No further cases of the disease have been reported since then from these areas.

180 cases of paralysis are also reported to have occurred in Chhotopukhuri in Darrang District in Assam in a Catholic Mission. Further investigations in the matter are in progress.

**Mechanised Farms**

- \*89. { Shri P. R. Chakraverti:
- { Shri Indrajit Gupta:
- { Shri P. C. Borooah:
- { Shri Bhagwat Jha Asad:
- { Shri Bhakt Darshan:
- { Shri Hem Raj:

- { Dr. L. M. Singhvi:
- { Shri P. Kunhan:
- { Shri M. K. Kumaran
- { Shri Ram Ratan Gupta.
- { Shri Daji:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to set up mechanised farms on the model of Suratgarh Farm in Rajasthan;

(b) if so, whether they have selected the sites; and

(c) whether foreign co-operation will be made available for launching the scheme?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. M. Thomas):** (a) Yes.

(b) One site (at Jetsar) near Suratgarh has already been selected. Some other sites are under the consideration of the Committee on Large-sized Mechanized Farms.

(c) There is no proposal yet for foreign cooperation for setting up the new farms

**Withdrawal of Alarm Chains from Trains**

- \*90. { Shri P. K. Deo:
- { Shri Narendra Singh Mahida:
- { Shri Indrajit Gupta:
- { Shri Raghunath Singh:
- { Shri Subodh Hansda:
- { Shri S. C. Samanta:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether alarm chains have been withdrawn from some trains;

(b) if so, from which of the trains; and

(c) the reasons therefor?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is placed on the Table. [Placed in Library, See No. LT-282/62].

(c) In view of persistent misuse of the apparatus and resultant adverse effects, including serious dislocation to train services and inconvenience to passengers.

#### Fishery Operative Training Institute at Cochin

- \*91. { Shri Basumatari:  
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starrred Question No. 189 on the 25th April, 1962 and state:

(a) whether the report from the Norwegian expert regarding Fishery Operative Training Institute at Cochin has since been received;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government of Kerala have agreed to place the building at the disposal of the Central Government; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. M. Thomas): (a) Yes.

(b) A summary of the report is laid on the Table. [Placed in Library. See LT-283/62].

(c) Yes.

(d) Does not arise.

#### कोसी परियोजना के पश्चिमी तटबन्ध पर रेल मार्ग

७७. श्री योगेन्द्र झा : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) कोसी परियोजना के पश्चिमी तटबन्ध पर रेल चलाने का कोई प्रस्ताव है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो रेलवे लाइन कहाँ से कहाँ तक बनेगी; और

(ग) इस काम में कब से हाथ लगाया ?

रेलवे मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री सै० वें० रामस्वामी) : (क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग) सवाल नहीं उठता । पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे के सकरी स्टेशन के प्लेटफार्म

पर शैंड का निर्माण

७८. श्री योगेन्द्र झा : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे के सकरी स्टेशन पर प्रति दिन गाड़ी में चलने वालों तथा उतरने वालों की संख्या क्या है;

(ख) क्या उपरोक्त जंक्शन पर यात्रियों की असुविधा दूर करने के लिये प्लेटफार्म के ऊपर शैंड बनाना का कोई प्रस्ताव है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो कब तक उस की पूर्ति की संभावना है ?

रेलवे मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री शाहनवाज झा) : (क) सकरी स्टेशन पर आने वाले और वहाँ से जाने वाले यात्रियों की दैनिक औसत क्रमशः १०१२ और १४५० है ।

(ख) और (ग) जी हां । एक मुझाव की जांच की जा रही है । लेकिन अभी यह बताना सम्भव नहीं है कि उस पर कब तक धमल होगा ।

#### Development of Ginger

79. Shri A. K. Gopalan: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated during the Third Five Year Plan for development of Ginger cultivation in the States of Kerala, Assam and Himachal Pradesh;