

(ख) हाल ही में परियोजना के लिये एक नियन्त्रण बोर्ड तथा एक परामर्शदाताओं का बोर्ड स्थापित कर दिये हैं। नियन्त्रण बोर्ड की प्रथम मीटिंग ११-८-६२ को नखनऊ में हुई थी।

**Rupnarayan Bridge**

\*739. } Dr. R. Banerjee:  
 } Shri Subodh Hansda:

Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the construction of the Rupnarayan bridge on National Highway No. 6 is far behind the schedule; and

(b) if so, the reasons for the delay?

The Minister of Shipping in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) and (b). The work was commenced in February, 1962 and is scheduled to be completed by September, 1964. The question of its being behind the schedule does not arise at this stage.

**Wheat Imports from U.S.A.**

\*740. Shri Indrajit Gupta: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state

(a) whether Government are making efforts to reduce wheat imports from U.S.A. under P.L. 480;

(b) if so, the reaction of the U.S. Government in the matter; and

(c) the quantity of P.L. 480 wheat already imported and that still remains to be imported?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. M. Thomas): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) P.L. 480 Agreement of the 4th May, 1960 provides funds which were expected to finance the purchase of about 16 million tons of wheat, over a period of four years ending in June, 1964. About 4.9 million tons of wheat

have been shipped to India by the end of July, 1962.

**Air Services in Punjab**

\*741. { Shri Bibhuti Mishra: )  
 { Maharajkumar Vijaya Ananda:  
 { Shri Y. D. Singh:

Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Punjab State Government have envisaged a plan of operating an intra-State air service to link certain towns;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that it has asked for surplus IAC Dakotas;

(c) if so, what is the reaction of the Indian Airlines Corporation; and

(d) whether any other State Government have thought of a similar plan?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Bhagavati): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The Punjab Government have made enquiries from Indian Airlines Corporation regarding sale of their Herons or Dakotas. Indian Airlines Corporation have no spare Dakotas for sale immediately. The question of the sale of Herons is under discussion.

(d) As far as the Central Government are aware, no other State Government has formulated a similar plan.

**सुबाबांज स्टेशन पर उकतेरों का हमला**

\*७४२ { श्री भक्त वरान :  
 { श्री विश्वनाथ पाण्डेय :  
 { श्री प्र० चं० बरभा :  
 { श्री रघुनाथ सिंह :

क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि ३ घोर व घगस्त, १९६२ की मध्य रात्रि को वाँतर