being attempted and breeding centres are being opened and extended.

Oral Answers

Shri Kapur Singh: May I know whether the intensive cattle development programmes are intended to be co-ordinated with proper disposal of our economic cattle stocks?

Shri A. M. Thomas: That is a large problem which we find difficult to solve.

Mishap at Bangalore Railway Station

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Shri A. V. Raghavan:
Shri Pottekkatt:
Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that 45 passengers were injured when the engine of the Bangalore-Madras Express bumped into the train while being coupled at Bangalore railway station on 3rd April, 1963;
- (b) whether any action has been taken against the persons responsible for the accident; and
- (c) the nature of injuries suffered by the passengers?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy):
(a) Forty nine persons were injured.

- (b) Disciplinary action against the staff held responsible has been initiated.
- (c) All the 49 persons sustained minor injuries.
- Shri A. V. Raghavan: May I know whether a similar accident took place in Howrah? What steps are proposed to be taken to bring down the number of such accidents?
- Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: This question refers to Bangalore but the hon. Member asks about Howrah.

Mr. Speaker: He says that this type of accident occurred elsewhere and 238 (Ai) LSD.—2

wants to know whether any steps are being taken to see that they do not recur.

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: We are always emphasising on the staff to avoid accidents.

Shri Basappa: May I know the extent of the damage caused to the property and also whether driver of the engine has been suspended?

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: The driver has been suspended: the damage to the engine is to the tune of Rs. 3,000.

Shri D. C. Sharma: What are the injuries which are characterised by the Railway Ministry as minor and do not these minor injuries invite any kind of compensation from the Railways? What is the difference between the minor and major injuries in the opinion of the Railway Ministry?

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: These are we'll known medical terms and in their accepted meanings we are using them.

## Chemical Fertilisers

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Shri Subodh Hansda;

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

- (a) whether Government have any information with regard to the resistance to the use of chemical fertilisers that are produced in the country;
- (b) if so, the reasons for this resistance by the consumers; and
- (c) the steps Government are taking to improve the quality of the fertilisers?

The Parliamentray Secretary to the Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri Shinde: (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in the Library. See No. LT-11-34/63.]